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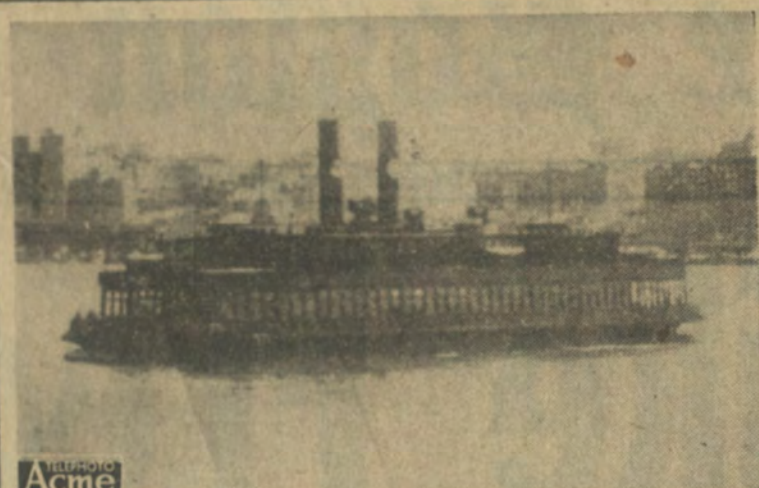
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NEW FERRY SERVICE—The former ferryboat Hackensack, renamed Islander, will, with two other ships, operate between Woods Hole and Vineyard Haven, starting April 15. It's capacity is 850 persons, 50 cars and 500 tons of freight. Running time will be 40 minutes to one hour, depending on sea and weather.

Hyannis Steamship Line Will Operate Two Boats.

The Hyannis Steamship Line announced Thursday, through Gordon David, manager, that the first scheduled trip to Nantucket from Hyannis by vessels of this line will be Saturday, June 22d. This date was deferred one week from the original time because of failure of needed materials to arrive and because the new landing dock they are having built on Straight wharf at Nantucket has not been completed. The delay has been caused by the fact that Turner & Breivogel, who are to do the work, have been temporarily halted on the completion of the Madaket bridge because of the fire last week.

The new excursion and freight boats have been named "Nautican" and "Iyanough" in honor of the original Indian names for Nantucket and Hyannis.

The "Nautican" will be the first vessel in service. She has been at the Cape Cod Marine's Shipyard at Falmouth undergoing final Coast Guard inspection and routine maintenance on her hull and drive shaft. The "Nautican" was expected to be at Hyannis Friday afternoon.

Grading and the pouring of concrete at the Line's Ocean street terminal at Hyannis was completed yesterday and preparations are being made for the erection of a building to house passengers. A new restaurant is being erected on the terminal grounds by Adolphe Richards, of Hyannis.

A schedule of two round trips each day will be followed by the line until the "Iyanough" is ready for service in the early part of July, when an expanded service will be announced, Mr. David said. The schedule will be announced next week.

Fire Caused Extensive Damage To New Madaket Bridge.

The new bridge over Hither Creek at Madaket was extensively damaged by a fire which swept across the structure on Thursday afternoon. The flames broke out with an explosion of gasoline under the bridge, and so swiftly did the oil-soaked timbers and planks burn that it was only a matter of minutes before the nearly-completed structure became a mass of flames.

Workmen for the Turner-Breivogel Company, constructing the bridge, and Coast Guardsmen from the nearby Madaket Station, worked like Trojans in a prolonged effort to combat the spreading flames, and when the Fire Department's pumpers arrived, the crews put over a suction hose into the creek and ran two lines out of one pumper.

Clouds of black, billowing smoke, ominous with flashes of red flame made it appear to those first on the scene that the bridge was doomed. But, despite clogging of the suction intake by sand, the hose lines checked the spread of the flames and soon afterwards had the fire under control.

Practically all of the thick plank-ing across the bridge was either burned through or so badly charred as to render it unusable. Most of the stringers were similarly doomed, as all of the wood had been thoroughly soaked in creosote.

The damage is made further serious by the fact that material is so difficult to obtain, so that the fire will delay still further the construction of this "Hither Creek Bridge" already ill-starred by delays occasioned by an original lack of funds on the part of the town's first appropriation and then postponed by lack of materials.

Damage is estimated at between \$8,000 and \$10,000, with the company having no insurance coverage for fire.

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"Harbour House, Inc."

What was once known as the Springfield House and more recently known as Crest Hall, on North Water street, will hereafter be known as "Harbour House Inc.," and as such will be operated the coming season under the management of Paul F. Klingelfuss.

The main hotel buildings will be moved to the east end of the lot, facing Harbor View Way and in close proximity to the beach and the harbor. Plans for the new location of the hotel buildings have been completed and a firm of building movers from New Bedford has been secured for this work, to be completed by June 15th.

The incorporation of "Harbour House Inc." has been completed, the incorporators being Paul F. Klingelfuss, Grace M. Klingelfuss and Ruth McCarthy.

Mrs. Alice Gardner Murdock, Miss Dorothy Murdock and Mrs. Edwin Murdock, of Indiana, Penn., are guests Miss Grace Brown Gardner at 13 Plumb street.

Dr. Mildred E. Greene, who has been down for a two weeks' vacation, staying with Mrs. Churchill, North Water street, left Sunday for her home in Waltham.

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Ainsworth, of New Bedford, came down this week for their annual summer visit and, as usual, are located at the Blair house on Plumb lane.

DIED

At Seattle, Washington, August 4th, Lester B. Ellis, formerly of Nantucket, aged 79 years, 3 months.

Nantucket Post Office Becomes First Class July 1.

On Monday next, the first of July, the Nantucket postoffice will be advanced to a first-class office, the business during the past year bringing the income up to the standard of first-class offices.

It was on the first of July, 1902, that the local office became second-class, and on the 15th of June, 1909, Nantucket first received carrier service.

The corner-stone of the new post-office building was laid on the 31st of July, 1935, and the building was open for public inspection on January 7th, 1936, the following day being opened for business.

The first air-mail flight from the building was on the 20th of June, 1946, and next Monday it will become a first-class office.

The list of postmasters who have served since the Nantucket office was established on the 20th of March, 1793, is as follows:

William Coffin	March 20, 1793
Silas Jones	April 1, 1905
James Barker	May 18, 1805
Thomas Macy	Dec. 4, 1817
George W. Ewer	May 5, 1829
James Mitchell	July 8, 1839
Samuel H. Jenkins	March 26, 1841
The office was advanced to the Presidential grade, July 1, 1843:	
George F. Worth	July 5, 1843
James H. Briggs	May 11, 1849
Joseph Mitchell	Sept. 25, 1850
Charles P. Swain	April 27, 1853
Charles P. Swain	March 24, 1858
Andrew Whitney	April 17, 1861
Andrew Whitney	July 14, 1865
Andrew Whitney	July 9, 1870
Andrew Whitney	June 24, 1874
Josiah F. Murphy	Jan. 16, 1879
Josiah F. Murphy	Feb. 5, 1883
John M. Winslow	April 11, 1887
Josiah Freeman	Jan. 6, 1892
John M. Winslow	Jan. 15, 1896
Charles F. Hammond	Jan. 17, 1900
Charles F. Hammond	Jan. 26, 1904
Charles F. Hammond	Jan. 13, 1908
Charles F. Hammond	Dec. 18, 1911
James Y. Deacon	July 11, 1916
Addison T. Winslow	Aug. 5, 1921
Addison T. Winslow	Dec. 14, 1925
Walton H. Adams, Act.,	Oct. 11, 1926
Alfred E. Smith	March 3, 1927
Alfred E. Smith	Feb. 25, 1931
Miss Alice Roberts	Aug. 27, 1935
Miss Alice Roberts	Aug. 27, 1939
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Death of Mrs. Sharp.

On the afternoon of July 2d, Virginia Guild Sharp, one of the older residents of Nantucket, passed away in her 89th year, after a few years of declining physical ability but remaining bright and entertaining to her many friends to the end.

Beloved by all, she will be especially missed for her benevolence, humor and clear memory, which was one of the windows through which we saw Nantucket of the past.

Born in Bangor, Me., she came to Nantucket with her mother, the late Rebecca Guild, and her sister, the late Mrs. Dodd, when a girl of eighteen, and where she met her future husband, the late Dr. Benjamin Sharp. With him, she was continually devoted to all the island activities of charitable and cultural interest. The Sharp home on Gorham's Court was for several years the center of social entertainments, many for the benefit of local affairs and often assisted by prominent musicians and artists who were their house guests.

Mrs. Sharp studied painting at the Julian School of Art in Paris and painted with Eastman Johnson and other artists at Nantucket in her younger years, later applying her artistic talents to portrait photography, in which field she attained considerable distinction.

Mrs. Sharp was a member of the Nantucket Unitarian Church, which she enjoyed attending as long as she was physically able.

She lived to become a great-grandmother twice, and leaves twelve dependants devoted to Nantucket and its institutions, many of which she assisted in founding.

The Late James H. Bunker.

James H. Bunker, who passed away in Brighton on the 14th of May, was born in Nantucket, July 21, 1864, the son of James H. and Ann (Coleman) son of James H. and Ann (Coleman) Bunker.

He learned the printers' trade in the Inquirer and Mirror office, and worked as a compositor on the Boston Transcript, retiring at the age of seventy.

He is survived by his widow, Elizabeth, and by a daughter, Helen, of Brighton; also by a son, James H. Bunker, Jr., and four grandchildren, of Norwood, Mass.

Miss Agnes Bettridge is enjoying her annual vacation at Nantucket.

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Ruth Sutton Enjoys Life on Nantucket.

Jean O'Connell, under the heading "Let's Talk Shoppe" in a recent issue of the Springfield, Mass., paper, has the following sketch of Miss Ruth Sutton, the well-known local artist:

Summertime browsers can follow a full schedule on the island this season, poking through the profusion of shops which have been flung wide open. Along Petticoat Row, and all the other main streets of this quaint spot which has attracted some 20,000 persons for the current holiday, veteran shopkeepers and newcomers in the business field are displaying a wide variety of enticing articles.

Discovery of old friends among the shopping throngs is one of the added joys of a Nantucket vacation. In our case the discovery turned out to be Ruth Haviland Sutton, a friend of many in Springfield, and known widely as an artist residing in the city not so long ago. But that's a story all by itself.

Shell jewelry appears to be headlining the parade of wares laid out for the wandering tourist. Earrings, pins, combs to ornament the hair, and other feminine trinkets are all made of tiny bits of shells which may or may not be painted. One eyecatcher is a pansy set including pin and earrings carried out in genuine purple and yellow shades. Despite its size (most of the shell items are very dainty) the flower has all the earmarks of the real thing. Most of the shell jewelry is made here on the island.

Shops are more crowded this season than last year, and they have more goods for sale. Despite shortages, woolens and yarns are still available in many shades. Along gift aisles, of which there are more than ever, large wooden trays, pottery from England, Mexico and the United States, and books and pamphlets about Nantucket are the chief offerings. Stock goods are also in large supply.

Pencil sketches, lithographs and hand-colored maps of Nantucket bearing the name of Ruth Haviland Sutton were noted in several shops. While in the newly located book shop on Federal street, we found out that the former Springfield resident dwells in a studio down near Commercial Wharf. Seemed like a wonderful chance for a visit, and a peek at the artistic side of Nantucket, so we dropped in one evening.

Miss Sutton spends the summer months in "The Scallop". The tiny house boasts three rooms, and we found her sitting in the picture-lined studio portion, looking very much the part in a sports frock and suggestion of a fishnet cap atop her hair. Full-sized lithographs of Nantucket subjects, and two new maps which entailed about two months' research, practically paper the walls of "The Scallop".

"I even go to town meeting, so you can see that I am a permanent resident here," Miss Sutton commented, in reply to the proverbial question about plans when the summer days are gone. She explained that a few years ago she went to Nantucket for the summer, but she liked it so well she decided to stay. And today she is not only active in artistic circles including the newly organized art association, but she is a property owner and voter as well. Right now she's enthused about a current exhibit in which she has several pictures entered.

Sketches and paintings of Court Square, Storowton and Connecticut shore resorts are associated with Miss Sutton for her work completed while she lived in Springfield. She was also responsible for many decorative program covers of leading organizations. Presently marking her role as a New England artist are impressions of the people and places connected with Nantucket.

Her work is by no means limited to the summer subjects which have caught the eye of so many artists and writers. On one of the studio walls is an oil of the main thoroughfare of the island, picturesque with its cobblestones and dated store fronts.

The picture was done last March when life was apparently quite serene in contrast to the vacation period. In the scene there are only three or four persons making their way along. "Some of the natives seem to disappear and come out when the summer is over," Miss Sutton confided. She said she met many natives in the wintertime who just never showed up in July and August.

Miss Sutton, who has "open house" each Sunday afternoon in her little studio, experiences the whims of the summer visitors the same as the shopkeepers do. In addition to marketing many of her lithographs and pencil sketches in the shops, she also does portraits. In one instance she packed up two portraits while eager patrons waited in a taxi which was to take them to the wharf for the boat home. "I don't like to do things that way," she remarked, recalling the chapter of the anxious parents who wanted to take home portraits of their two young daughters.

With winters "less severe than in Springfield" and early morning dips in the ocean right outside her back door, Miss Sutton appeared very much satisfied with her new residence. In the same colony there are a number of other artists, including Elizabeth Saltonstall, who make "very good neighbors". Picking our way out through the gateway to the road, it seemed as though her conclusions were pretty much on the right side.

Sept. 1946

Midnight Alarm of Fire.

Shortly after midnight Wednesday night, box 123 sounded from central fire station, dispatching two pieces of apparatus to the golf club road. The short circuit of an electric wire as it entered the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh K. MacDougall, had started a blaze in the wall.

It was raining heavily at the time, and members of the local police force had the task of keeping traffic moving along the narrow road, a job which was accomplished successfully.

Fortunately, Mrs. MacDougall had observed flashes of light through a window, and both she and her husband had become aroused as soon as smoke began to creep rapidly through the house. Mr. MacDougall seized a fire extinguisher and checked the spread of the flames until the smoke became so thick that they were forced out of doors.

Assistant Chief Archibald Cartwright carefully checked for any possible spread of the blaze, while Robert Blair checked up on the house wiring. It was evident that the fire had been discovered in the nick of time, as the structure of the dwelling, (being a summer cottage), made a rapid spread of the flames a certainty.

McGarvey—Swift.

The former Shirley Swift, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Swift, became the bride of Allan McGarvey, son of Mrs. Grace McGarvey, at a very pretty wedding in the First Baptist Church at high noon, September 2, 1946, with many guests present.

The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. David P. Foulk, pastor.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. She was dressed in a lace and tulle gown with finger tip veil. She carried a shower bouquet.

Miss Marguerite Roche was her bridesmaid. She wore a powder blue gown and carried gladioli. The reception followed the ceremony at the home of the bride, 9 East Dover street.

Mr. and Mrs. McGarvey left on the afternoon boat for a week at Niagara Falls. They will be at home after Sept. 9 at 32 Milk street.

DIED

Mrs. Mabel M. Richardson, widow of the late Norval Richardson, died, November 27, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. Arkwright, at Kirtbury, Berkshire, England.

Death of Arthur Chase.

The many friends and acquaintances of Arthur D. Chase were indeed sorry to learn of his passing early on Monday morning of this week. Although stricken with an incurable malady, his death came as a sudden shock to those who had kept in touch with his home during his illness.

The deceased was in his 61st year. He had been a faithful employee of the A. & P. company here on Nantucket for nearly thirty years. Always of an obliging disposition, he made many friends while manager of stores on Gardner and Main streets, and he will be missed by the many he served so well.

Forgot to Put Up Damper.

The Fire Department was summoned to Saratoga street shortly before 10:30 Tuesday morning, when Mrs. Oscar B. Eger found that she had neglected to open her fireplace damper after lighting a blaze on the hearth. Damage was confined to the effects of the heavy smoke. Two pieces of apparatus were on the scene within a few minutes after the horn had sounded the three blows which indicated the department had been called by telephone.

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Nantucket Couple Convalescing at Salisbury, Maryland.

We have received numerous inquiries lately regarding Mr. and Mrs. Peter M. Hussey, who met with an automobile accident a few weeks ago while driving through Maryland on their way to St. Petersburg, Florida, where they had planned to spend the winter months. Only a brief statement regarding the mishap, received by the Brock agency through the accident insurance, was all the information which had reached Nantucket up to this week.

From a private letter which arrived a few days ago, however, we have brief details of the mishap. It seems that the accident was caused when Mr. Hussey, at the wheel of his car, saw a large truck approaching and attempted to evade it by turning onto a soft shoulder at the side of the road. His car went out of control and turned over, being completely demolished.

Mrs. Hussey was quite badly injured and will be hospitalized for at least two months. She received a fracture of the lower limb, with a dislocated ankle, and also suffered two broken ribs. Mr. Hussey was severely shaken up, and had a broken thumb and also severe body bruises as a result of which it is impossible for him to write letters back home.

Mrs. Hussey is a patient at the Peninsula General Hospital in Salisbury, Md., where she will remain until her condition is such that she can continue her journey, either southward to Florida, or back home to Nantucket.

Salisbury is quite a thriving community, about eighty miles southeast from Baltimore, and on the peninsula route to Cape Charles and Cape Henry, by means of which automobilists take the ferry across to Newport News and thus evade the traffic congestion around Washington. The Husseys were taking a slow journey on their way to Florida, making short and comfortable daily trips, until they met with the unfortunate accident which has hospitalized Mrs. Hussey and placed their car out of commission.

"A Nantucket Garden."

The following poem was written by the late Mrs. R. S. Clarke, of Washington, D. C., who had spent many happy summers on Nantucket.

It was dedicated to the little garden at 17 Pine street, loved and carefully tended by its owner, Mrs. Sarah Swain Phillips, and is as follows:

'Tis a little fenced-in garden,
Full of 'sturtiums and roses,
And dahlias and larkspurs,
And sweet-smelling posies.

You'll love it and never will
Willingly leave it,
So come in and see,
If you do not believe it.

We'll sit on the porch
Or under a shady tree,
Eat crisp cinnamon toast,
And drink afternoon tea.

We'll just sit there and talk,
Not heed speeding hours,
'Midst the clematis vines
And the old-fashioned flowers.

Oh, this is Nantucket!
The Island that we love,
There's not a thing better
He sends from above.

Come in, my dear friend,
And share it with me,
The dear little garden—
Right welcome, you'll be.

Sarah Lizzie
Swain Phillips

Funeral Services.

Funeral services for Mrs. Florence Folger Webster were held last Saturday afternoon at her late residence on Upper Main street, conducted by the Rev. Mr. Strong of the Episcopal church. Interment was in the family lot in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Mrs. Webster was born in Chicopee, Mass., the only child of Franklin Folger and Elizabeth Hall Ray. Since the death of her husband, the late William Arthur Webster, in 1899, she has resided in Nantucket the greater part of each year, going to Westfield, N. J., in the winter to stay with her son's family.

Both grand-fathers of the deceased—Capt. George Washington Ray, and Franklin Folger, Sr.—followed the sea and many of her forebears were engaged in the whaling industry.

Besides her son, Franklin Folger Webster, of Westfield, N. J., she is survived by three grandsons: S/Sgt. Franklin Folger Webster, Jr., is in Germany; another grandson, David E. Webster, is a freshman at Massachusetts Institute of Technology; and the third grandson is a sophomore in High School at Westfield.

Nov. 24, 1946

Miss Sutton Issues "Historical Map" of Nantucket.

Miss Ruth Haviland Sutton, the artist whose fine lithographs of Nantucket scenes are known and admired wherever they are seen, has issued a new, large-scale, colored historical map of Nantucket. It is an excellent piece of draftsmanship, having a map of the town and its streets as an insert in the larger map of the island.

Not only is a wealth of historical data in evidence, as borders to the map proper, but there is considerable detail as to island flora and fauna—not forgetting fishing and duck-hunting material carefully noted.

Miss Sutton's map is not only informative and an interesting piece of craftsmanship, but it is beautifully colored and makes a decorative feature for the walls of homes of all those who cherish Nantucket.

Death of Mrs. Tice.

The sudden passing of Mrs. Edward P. Tice on Tuesday last came as a great shock to all. Although not in rugged health for several years, she was out as usual that morning with apparently no change in her physical condition until the final summons came.

When fatally stricken, she was alone in her home on Orange street, where she had been preparing the noon-day meal for her husband and herself.

Mrs. Tice had been a faithful and constant worker in the interests of the local Red Cross chapter and had given her aid in every way possible, as far as her health would permit.

The daughter of the late Charles N. Long, the deceased graduated from the Nantucket high school in the class of 1896. On the 16th of November, 1910, she married Edward P. Tice, who survives her together with a daughter, Helen.

Funeral services were held at the late residence on Orange street, Thursday afternoon, the Rev. William E. Gardner officiating. Interment was in the Prospect Hill cemetery.

May 18, 1946

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DIED

In this town, October 6th, Helen D. Hoitt, wife of Frederick D. Hoitt, aged 41 years.

Robert G. Melendy Married in Germany.

Announcement has been made by Dr. and Mrs. Henry Clarke Thacher, 135 East 62d street, New York city, of the marriage of Dr. Thacher's daughter, Josephine Longworth Anderson Thacher, to Major Robert Gordon Melendy. The wedding took place on the fourteenth of December in the Protestant Church, Hoechst, Germany. Chaplain Cerardus Beekman, formerly Director of Religious Education for the Episcopal Diocese of New York, officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by Colonel Charles W. Pence, of Attica, Indiana, while her maid-of-honor was Miss Lois Lord of Chicago. Major Melendy, who is the son of Mrs. Melville Blanton Melendy, Nantucket, Mass., attended Harvard College with the class of 1934. His best man was Captain Frank C. Mahin, of Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Melendy's mother was the late Ethel Anderson Thacher, of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Major and Mrs. Melendy are remaining in Hoechst, Germany, where both are serving with Headquarters, U. S. Forces European Theatre, Historical Division.

Flowers To The Living.

*To Emily B. Robinson
on her ninetieth birthday.
August 19, 1946.*

Greetings! Ever Blooming Rose—
All hail, with word and pen!
You show us how Life can be lived,
At four-score years and ten.

You emulate the busy bee—
Your zeal we much admire;
You flit North, South and everywhere,
And never seem to tire.

Some work to do, some aid to give—
Your interests are wide;
You find Life still intriguing,
As you take it in your stride.

We love to see you trot about
Bent on some recreation;
We simply can't keep up with you,
But you lend us inspiration.

Whence comes your boundless energy?
You have us beat a mile!
Your answer to this question
Is an enigmatic smile.

Keep on your gay and smiling way
Up to your hundredth year;
You'll find friends smiling back at you
To bring you love and cheer.

—Helen C. McCleary.

Hospital Notes.

We are happy to welcome Miss Evelyn W. Keith, Dietitian, to the Staff of the Hospital. Miss Keith is a graduate of the Massachusetts State Teachers College at Framingham with the degree of Bachelor of Science. She assumed her duties at the Hospital on the first of the month.

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Miss Florence Stewart, B. S., R. N., the new superintendent of the Hospital, is a graduate of the University of Chicago and of the Nurses' Training School, Cook County, Ill.

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The following persons have recently been admitted to the Hospital. Judge Hincks, of Cheshire, Conn.; Mrs. Margaret Grant, Miss Lorraine LaPrade, Miss Catherine Mulvey, Mrs. Adelaide Glidden, Mrs. Gordon Chase, Franklin B. Kespert, Joseph Cabral, Joseph Cahoon and James Levins.

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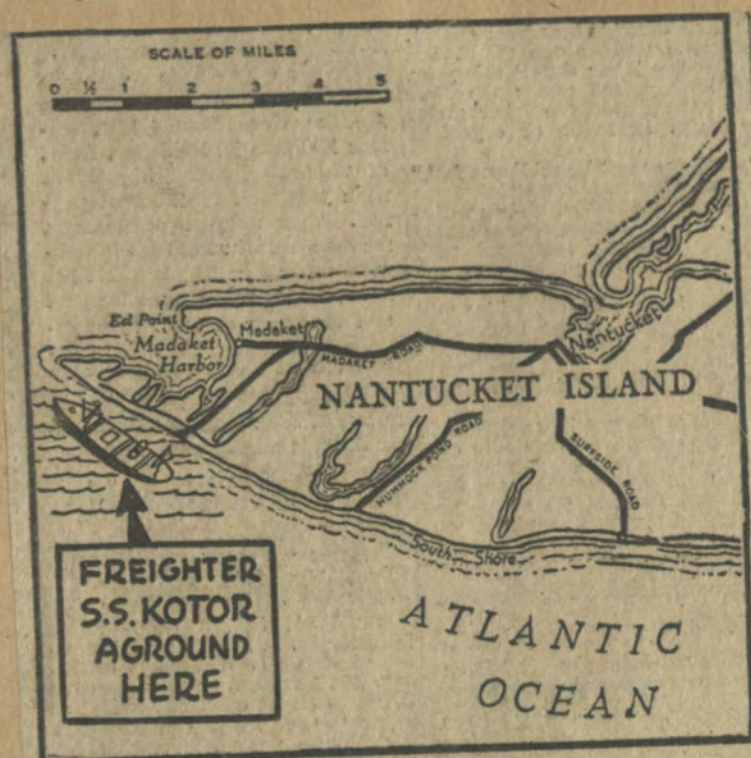
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at Nantucket



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Freighter "Kotor" Stranded at West End of Island.

Nantucket made headlines in papers all over New England this past week, when the 339-foot Panamanian freighter Kotor went aground Friday afternoon, on the west end of the island, about a mile east of the former Madaket Coast Guard station. The Kotor, owned and operated by the Cunard White Star Lines under Panamanian registry, sent out an SOS call about 5 o'clock Friday afternoon, thinking she had struck on Davis South Shoals, which lie some 30 miles southeast of Nantucket. This call was picked up by Coast Guard stations on the mainland and five cutters and other rescue ships were dispatched at once to search for her in that vicinity.

The Kotor was reported to the local Coast Guard almost as soon as she struck, by Mildred Jewett, of Madaket, who saw lights on the beach and went to investigate. She hailed the vessel over the hundred-yard distance between the ship and the shore, but could not make herself understood. As the Madaket Coast Guard Station had been decommissioned and closed that very morning, Miss Jewett called the Brant Point station. BMIC Jules Serpa was sent to the scene to check on the reports, and when he confirmed them, CBM Frank Masaschi, BMIC John Kittila and Surfman Melvin Chambers set out for Madaket in a truck towing a small dory. Upon reaching Madaket beach, the dory was launched after two attempts, and Masaschi, Chambers and Serpa rowed

out to the stranded freighter. They made sure that the vessel was in no immediate danger of breaking up, found out the ship's name as well as that of the captain, and came ashore to report to the Coast Guard headquarters and have them call off the search for the Kotor in the Davis South Shoals area.

In the meantime, many people in town knew of the vessel's presence from the Morse Code coming from their broadcast receivers. Pitman Grimes was the first to notify us of the freighter, having heard and read the code. Gus Bentley, operator of amateur radio station WISU, was among those listening to the ship's distress messages, and relayed any pertinent information to the Coast Guard station at Brant Point.

From these messages it was found that Captain Dracatos did not know his ship's exact position until well after eight o'clock, although the fog had lifted some time earlier. Radio communication was severely hampered by the ship's radio operator, who had very little English at his command.

The Kotor is some 43 years old, having been built at West Hartlepool, England, in 1904. She was operated before the war under the name of Eurymedon, between Boston and India. The Kotor, which carried a crew of 35 men, was loaded with a cargo of Australian wool and general cargo, and was on her way to St. John, New Brunswick, from New York, where part of her cargo had been discharged, when she beached at Madaket. She had been running in a dense fog for two days, and evidently had misjudged the strong tidal currents which are found in this area. Her navigation equipment must have been rather poor, for the radio operator reported that she was some 40 miles off her course when she struck.

The scene on the beach Friday night was very interesting. Although the news was not yet generally known on Nantucket, cars were already starting to line the bank at the head of the Sheep pond, where the vessel lay a mere one hundred yards off shore. The Kotor was ablaze with lights, and excited speculation ran high among the thoroughly chilled spectators. About nine o'clock the ship could be heard dropping her anchor, to make sure that she could not go any further ashore if the wind and tide should happen to free her during the night. The ship's rudder had been badly damaged as a result of her grounding, and she would not have been able to maneuver.

The Coast Guard Cutters Mendota, Algonquin, Hornbeam and Kaw were among the rescue vessels that were dispatched to the scene, the Mendota putting in an appearance about 10:00 although her lights could be seen for some time before. The Mendota's

24-inch signal light illuminated the whole scene with the brightness of day, making the stricken Kotor stand out in brilliant silhouette against the night. The two ships exchanged blinker signals with their bright lights as the Mendota crept in, through the treacherous sand bars, all of which made a thrilling scene for those watching from the shore. After she had come as close as she dared, the Mendota sent a small boat out to report on the ship's condition and talk to Captain Dracatos.

Saturday morning, five rescue ships were on the scene, as were a large number of townspeople. So many cars traveled over the ordinarily bumpy and muddy road over the Massasoit Bridge to the head of the Sheep pond that it was turned into a continuous stretch of mire. A great number of cars had difficulty in passing over stretches of it and finally went over the moors, finding to their surprise that it was smoother going if they made their own roads.

It was not until afternoon that any great progress was made in getting the ship off. Aircraft had a field day over the scene all morning, taking pictures galore, some of which appeared in the Boston and New Bedford papers. New England Central Airways changed their course on the flights to and from Boston, giving their passengers an aerial view of the "wreck". About noon two newsreel cameramen flew to the island in a Navy PBY Catalina, taking many shots of the ship from the air and also taking pictures of the towing operations from the Kotor's deck. It might be mentioned that they did not enjoy their trip to and from the stricken vessel in the Coast Guard dory, reporting the small craft had a good-sized leak in the bottom, which had made them rather damp. The newsmen's PBY was due to take them back to the mainland at 2:30 in the afternoon, and they were very pleased when the Coast Guard succeeded in freeing the vessel just before the plane returned for them.

When we returned shortly after noon a cable had been attached to the Kotor's stern, running to the Mendota. A smaller Coast Guard vessel had another line from the Mendota's bow, and was keeping her in position as she attempted to free the Kotor.

It could be seen that the Mendota had succeeded in moving the vessel, as it now rode slightly with the waves and showed signs of turning. About 2:15 the Kotor had been sufficiently started so that she could use her engines, and with the aid of this added power the Mendota was able to tow her off into deep water. She was anchored off-shore to await towing to New York, being unable to proceed under her own power due to her broken rudder.

The cutter Algonquin picked her up later in the day and started to tow the disabled vessel to drydock, but as the Kotor had begun to take water into her second cargo hold, the Algonquin was unable to make more than three knots. It was decided to take the Kotor to Newport, R. I., rather than New York, as it was Captain Dracatos' opinion that she could not make the longer journey.

Saturday night and Sunday morning the radio again gave news of the vessel's distress, this time off Block Island. The Algonquin and her charge had struck a bit of bad weather, with rough seas, snow squalls and a 45-mile-an-hour wind some 30 miles out of Newport, in which the tow line had snapped. The disabled freighter wallowed about in the high seas for five hours before a new tow line could be made fast, and during this time the leaks in her hold grew greater, the ship's condition becoming quite serious. Pumping operations were hampered by the weather, and by the fact that the leaking hold was loaded with wool, the radio reporting at one time that there was 15 feet of water in that hold and that she would have to be beached at Point Judith. It was with great relief that the Nantucketers learned on Monday that the Kotor had reached Newport safely.

The Kotor was again taken in tow at Newport by the tug Resolute. Most of the water had been removed from her hold, and she completed her journey to New York safely.

It seems quite ironic that a vessel should go ashore on Nantucket for the first time since 1932, at which time a coal barge broke loose from its moorings and came ashore at Dionis: on Friday morning, the Coast Guard station at Madaket was decommissioned for economy and at five o'clock in the afternoon Nantucket experienced the first wreck of any sort of 13 years, and almost in front of the abandoned station. It is true that

the fact that Madaket station was closed hampered operations a great deal. However, most of the confusion resulted from the ship not knowing her position. At eight o'clock Friday night, the Kotor's radio operator was calling government radio stations in order to determine his position, and shortly after was heard to send a message giving his location as "one-quarter mile off the north shore of Nantucket island". He subsequently corrected this to the south, and then south-west shore, going off the air shortly after. All of this confusion could have been prevented if his ship

had been equipped with a Loran or Radar receiver, either of which would have given him his position with unquestionable accuracy. Both of these devices have been on the market for some time.

The local Coast Guardsmen, as well as the cutters which answered the Kotor's distress calls, deserve a great deal of credit for the quick and efficient manner in which they acted when they received word of the ship's condition. The beaching of the Kotor provided a lot of excitement for the Nantucketers, but we feel that most people will not mind if they are not given the chance to see another ship in this position for a good many years.

Jan. 11, 1947

Parent-Teacher Association.

The Coffin School boys' exhibit and the Hobby Show made such an attractive display that the business meeting was late in opening.

The Flag Salute led by Mr. Baker was followed by reports of the secretary and treasurer. Both were accepted without correction. The working balance in the treasury was given as \$17.91.

The fourth and seventh grades of Academy Hill School were tied for the attendance banner, with six representative parents each.

Mr. J. Stackpole reported for the Recreation Committee that Article 30, asking for the appointment of a permanent committee was accepted, at the town meeting.

Mr. Baker thanked Mr. McAuley and Mr. True of the Coffin School for their efforts in arranging the boys' exhibit shown in room 6. The articles, many very bulky, showed the variety of work accomplished. They included wardrobes, a wind machine, some very lovely metal work, besides toys, small tables, radio cases and other cabinet work.

Mrs. Gillespie was complimented on her committee efforts in gathering and arranging the Hobby Exhibit.

Next meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association will be April 24th. The program will include a play by the Dramatic Club and an exhibition of archery by Mr. Coffin's group.

The committee judging the Hobby Exhibit asked for extra time to consider awards as the things were so varied that it was difficult to come to a decision. Finally Dr. Gardner announced the following winners: 1st prize in the 7 to 12 age group—Lee Sanguinetti, shell painting and woodwork; 2d prize, Marie Fee, coin collection; honorable mention to David Stackpole, Charles Chadwick and Jean Barrett. *

1st prize in 12 to 20 age group, Robert Sandsbury, cartoons; 2nd, Mary Hills, doll collection; honorable mention, David Walker, shell collection.

1st prize in adult group, Mrs. Wm. Blair, hooked rug; Rev. H. O. Bennett and family, metal and other art work; honorable mention, Miss Grace Brown Gardner, scrap book of Inquirer and Mirror articles over a long period.

Refreshments of ginger ale and sandwiches were served by Mrs. Edouard Stackpole and her committee to the nearly 200 guests present.

Ruth H. Norton.

Well Known Restaurant Leased.

The Sea Shell Restaurant, 14 Centre street, owned by Mrs. Evelyn F. Carroll, has been leased for the season to Mr. and Mrs. Linwood E. Proctor, who are to operate the business along the same lines as it has been conducted the past eleven years. Mr. and Mrs. Proctor are both well-known on the island and have the well-wishes of all in their new venture. They will call their new establishment "The Center-board Restaurant".

Mrs. Carroll will still conduct her guest house under the name of "The Sea Shell".

A Linen Shower.

The President of the Old People's Home Association, Mrs. Oliver D. Wescott, announces a "linen shower" at the Home on Main street, on St. Valentine's Day, Friday, February 14.

The Home is full and has a "waiting list," and the House Committee is in difficulty because of the need of all kinds of linen. This committee, made up of Mrs. Willard Hardy, Mrs. J. B. Ashley, 3d, Mrs. Harry Gordon, and Mrs. Edward H. Perry, is calling on all interested in the Home to come to their aid.

Napkins, turkish towels (all sizes), sheets (72 by 108 most needed), pillow cases, small size mattress pads and wash clothes are the items most needed.

Tea will be served from 3 to 5 on the afternoon of Valentine's Day by Mrs. Nellie M. Lamb, the matron of the Home, assisted by the ladies of the family.

All friends of the Home are invited. Those who can not bring one or more pieces of linen are asked to give the money for some of the above items.

1947

Death of Miss Robinson.

Miss Emily Barnard Robinson, known intimately by hundreds of her friends as "Milie," died Wednesday morning at her home in Martin's Lane, in her 91st year. She had been well and active up to a few days before her death.

She was the daughter of Charles H. and Susan (Chace) Robinson and her entire life had been spent in two homes, one on Fair street and the other on Martin's Lane. Many of her winters were spent in Florida.

Friendly with everyone, cheery in her disposition, independent in her thinking and opinions, she was welcomed in many groups and organizations.

In both wars she was a loyal knitter for the Red Cross and exceeded all others in the number of stockings knitted. The Union Circle at the North Congregational Church will miss her regular attendance on Tuesday afternoons and the large amount of work contributed.

She was one of the leading members of that notable group which worked so successfully in organizing and incorporating the Old People's Home Association. For many years since the establishment of the Home near the monument, she has been a member of the Board of Directors, visiting the Home constantly and contributing generously to its maintenance.

Among other organizations, she was a member of the Nantucket Relief Association and a constant worker for British and Overseas Relief.

She will be greatly missed in her neighborhood where she was known for her constant concern for many in sickness and need, and where her tiny, bent figure was seen tending the garden—and, as recently as last summer, running the lawn mower over her small plot of grass.

Miss Robinson leaves no nearer relatives than cousins: Mrs. Louise (Baker) Stetson, of Weymouth, Mrs. Elsie (Mowry) Cady, of Jamaica Plain, and Mrs. May (Bunker) Swain, of Nantucket.

Services will be conducted by the Rev. Claude Bond at the North Vestry this (Saturday) afternoon at two o'clock. Interment will be in the Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Jan. 11, 1947

Fatally Burned.

Shortly before noon on Monday, Mrs. Exilda Leger, of 4 Summer street, wife of Edmund Leger, was fatally burned when her dress caught fire in the kitchen of her home. Just how the accident happened will never be known, as Mrs. Leger never recovered fully enough to tell of what had occurred.

When Mr. Leger arrived home a few minutes after 12 o'clock, he found the lower floor of his house filled with smoke. Hearing the moans of his wife, he rushed into the bed-room and found her in a fearfully burned condition, lying across the bed.

The ambulance and a physician raced to the scene in response to the frantic telephone call for help, and Mrs. Leger was rushed to the hospital, where she promptly received the best of medical attention. But her condition was beyond all help and she passed away early in the evening.

From the mute evidence in the Leger home, it was apparent that some portion of Mrs. Leger's clothing had caught fire while working around the stove preparing the noon-day meal. Enveloped in flames, she had managed to reach the bath-room, where she had collapsed on a couch. Her blazing clothing had ignited the couch, and she then made her way in some manner to the bed-room, where her husband found her.

Mrs. Leger was in her 44th year, and had been a resident of Summer street for several years, first coming there when Mrs. Ella Spencer owned the house. She and her husband were highly regarded by their neighbors and friends.

Feb. 8, 1947

"Saint of Nantucket"

To the Editor—The priest who might have been known far and wide as "The Saint of Nantucket" died the other day, content with



Fabian Bachrach
Photo
LATE FR. GRIFFIN

no worldly recognition but that of the friends he had made in a 34-year pastorate. He was Rev. Joseph M. Griffin of the Catholic Church of St. Mary's of the Isle.

A book about him was written ten years ago by a Pleasant-st. neighbor, the poet Mollie Starbuck. Its title was "The Saint of Nantucket." Because she knew how Fr. Griffin shrank from any form of publicity, she withheld its publication during his lifetime. Unfortunately, she died first. The whereabouts of the manuscript, if it still exists, is unknown.

All the islanders knew him, and so did hundreds of the Summer vacationists, many of them celebrities. But not all knew the purpose of his morning walk. It always took him to a certain shop on one of the wharves, where he and the owner, his good friend, would chat awhile. Here Fr. Griffin would find out, if possible, who in the town needed what article and where he could be of the most assistance, anonymously.

The shop owner was often the messenger Fr. Griffin sent to the unfortunate person. His instructions were, invariably, "Ask no questions; answer no questions. Just give them what they need—say the donor is unknown." It is estimated that the total of his gifts would be a tidy personal fortune.

During a cold spell some Winters ago, the priest appeared on the streets without his overcoat. Everyone was concerned, because he was recovering from a cold. It was not generally known then that, like St. Francis of Assisi, he had met someone that morning more in need of a coat than he was, had promptly removed his own and put it on the person in need.

On the 25th anniversary of his pastorate, the Free Masons and Odd Fellows of Nantucket, together with the townspeople, presented him a purse of money as a token of their esteem. This, too, went into his fund for charity.

Men and women of all faiths beat a path to his door with their personal problems, seeking a way to comparative peace of mind. They told of it, later, because of the gratitude in their hearts for his helping hand and complete understanding at some crucial moment of their lives. Fr. Griffin never spoke of this service of counsel.

Among those who sought him out were celebrities from the four corners of the earth who come to Nantucket in the Summer time. But to Fr. Griffin there are no big folk or little folk socially, and he was an instrument to bring solace to all who asked it.

At his death, many of those who passed his bier wept openly. It was a tribute to a life work which he preferred to perform on the island rather than to seek wider fields. Every sector of island life was represented at the funeral services. Summer residents came to pay their respects. Fishing boats remained at the wharves, so crew members could attend.

Fr. Griffin no longer will come down the far side of Main st. from Orange st., with his gentle smile very much in evidence, carrying his cane and heading for his beloved church. But the island will keep the memory of his simplicity and his dignity, as it will keep that of his shyness and reserve and his many good works.

ANN V. BENNETT.

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Friday, March 28

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DIED

In Fall River, Mass., March 10th, Dwight M. Miner, formerly of Nantucket, in his 84th year.

In Maywood, New Jersey, March 16, Elsie S. M. Folger, beloved wife of Oliver H., and mother of Oliver H. Jr., of Leonia, New Jersey, and Edith V., of Oxford, Ohio. Funeral services were held at the Ricardo Memorial Home, Hackensack, New Jersey, on Wednesday afternoon, March 19, at 2 o'clock.

School Committee Meeting.

All members were present at this regular meeting, which had been postponed from Monday, when the entire committee attended the Finance Committee's hearing on the School budget.

Superintendent Porter reported that the schools had been visited by Carl E. Herriek, supervisor in Education, Division of Vocational Training. The purpose of this visit was to check and approve the vocational bookkeeping accounts, and to give additional information relative to the changes made in the present In-Service program for veterans.

Both men visited the Coffin School and were greatly impressed by the work the boys were doing. Mr. Nutting said that he has visited and inspected many vocational schools in Massachusetts, and never in these visits has he found so many useful and worthwhile projects being undertaken at one time. He was also highly complimentary about the general attitude and industrious application that the boys displayed.

The following is a list of Nantucket High School graduates, class of 1946, who are attending institutions of higher learning:

Carol Coggins—Goddard College, Plainfield, Vt.

Jean Fordyce—Katherine Gibbs School, Boston, Mass.

Priscilla Johnson—Chandler Business School, Boston, Mass.

Charlotte Jones—New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, Mass.

Morton Kaufman, Morningside College, Sioux City, Iowa.

Bertha Manter—Wilsons Laboratory Technician School, Boston, Mass.

Robert Mayo—Yale University, New Haven, Conn.

Edith Moynihan—Wilsons Laboratory School, Boston, Mass.

Carol Norcross—Boston University, Boston, Mass.

Edith Wood, Kathleen Dell School, Boston, Mass.

The Committee has been pleased to receive reports from these institutions stating the accomplishments of these students in their first semester. In all cases the grades were entirely satisfactory and in several instances our graduates received exceptionally high marks, placing them on the Dean's List.

Della S. Chapel,
Secretary.

Death of "Bert" Ray.

Bertest H. Ray, for many years a resident of the village of Quidnet, where he was employed as a carpenter and caretaker, passed away last Saturday morning, having been stricken with a heart attack while at work on his car.

The deceased was a native of Nantucket, the elder son of the late Joseph Ray. For a number of years he served in the life-saving service, being stationed on this island, at Gay Head and at Nahant. He retired in 1913 and since then has made his residence at Quidnet.

He is survived by his widow, and by a daughter, Catherine Minnie, wife of Oscar B. Eger; and also by a brother, George M. Ray of Milton.

Services were held at St. Paul's Church, Monday afternoon. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Apr. 19, 1947

Young—Nesmith.

Miss Cynthia M. Nesmith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nesmith, Rye, N. Y., became the bride of Roger A. Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey A. Young, Nantucket, on Saturday, April 12, at four o'clock at Grace Chapel, Milton Point, Rye. The Rev. Dr. Henry A. McNulty officiated and there was a reception at the Coveleigh Club.

Mr. Nesmith gave his daughter in marriage. She wore a white bengaline gown, a lace cap and short veil and carried a bouquet of white iris and freesia. Miss Constance Slosson, of Rye, was maid of honor, attired in a turquoise green faille gown and carrying a bouquet of spring flowers. Flower girls were Cheryl Gedney, Pawling, N. Y., and Melisande Brown, Cleveland, O., nieces of the bride.

Francis W. Pease, of Nantucket, was best man, and ushers were Warren Somerville, Rye, and Norton Gedney, Pawling.

After an auto tour of the South, the couple will reside in Nantucket.

Mrs. Young is a graduate of Rye High School and Dean Junior College. Her husband is a 1942 alumnus of Mount Herman School and is associated with his father in business in Nantucket. He served 19 months in the Pacific with the Navy.

May 3, 1947

Mrs. Eben Hutchinson.

italie Gordon in Boston Traveler.

Until 1944, life for Mrs. Eben Hutchinson was a peacefully domestic one; but that year her distinguished banker husband (who's never at a loss for unique ideas!) made her a present of the Ocean House, a quaint and sizable hotel in Nantucket....

At that time, the hotel was noted chiefly for the fact that General Grant had once enjoyed its hospitality; that it was the only building that had withstood the fire of 1846 which wiped out the center of Nantucket; and that it had a leaky roof....It was the porous roof and general state of disrepair that inspired Mrs. Hutchinson to immediate and amazingly successful action.

Ringling in her uncle, Andrew Johnson, and several other members of her family, she repaired the roof, restored the lovely murals in the dining room, redecorated the place, and had it open for business in record breaking time; and was launched on the hitherto unknown to her and never-dreamed-of business of hotel manager!

The former Hazel Olsson, Mrs. Hutchinson is a native of Boston and has a daughter and two sons. Also, although one would never remotely associate her with the click of knitting needles, or silver threads among the gold, she has twice been made a grandmamma.

She's a past president of the Malden Assembly, Social Order of the Beauceant (wives of Knights Templar); is a member and past-High Priestess of the Ladies' Oriental Shrine of North America (wives of Shriners), for which, today, as installing officer, she installs Mrs. William A. Cooley, of Malden, as High Priestess; and she is also a member of the Eastern Star.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson are members of the Wharf Rats, a very special Nantucket Club, and Mrs. Hutchinson is one of very few women to have achieved the distinction of being a "lady rat"!

With her husband she has traveled all over Europe, South America, Bermuda and other southern islands.

Her charming home in Medford is a center of hospitality, as are the Hutchinson's two lovely cottages in Nantucket.

Mrs. Hutchinson maintains her hobby is photography; but according to her husband it's telephoning, and he is seriously considering having switchboards installed in their various residences!

Beginning in June, however, when the Ocean House opens, Mrs. Hutchinson will be busier than the proverbial beaver in attending to her managerial duties in Nantucket.

The Late William O. Simpson.

William O. Simpson who died in New Bedford on the 30th of April, after a lingering illness, was the son of William S. Simpson of New Bedford, and Inez E. Simpson of Nantucket. He was born in New Bedford June 13, 1893, attended the schools of Nantucket and also the ship Ranger of the Massachusetts Nautical School, and graduated from Pratt Institute. He became an electrical engineer, with an office in Boston.

Funeral services were held on Monday afternoon, at 2:30, at the Wilson Funeral Home. He was a member of Union Lodge, F. & A. M., of Nantucket, of which his father is a member, and which his son joined this week.

May 16

Opens Law Practice Here.

James K. Glidden has opened an office in the upper floor of the Sanford House property where he will conduct the practice of law.

Mr. Glidden graduated from Nantucket High School in the Class of 1934. He then attended Suffolk Law School for four years, graduating in 1938. In December of 1941, he enlisted in the Navy and was assigned to the Intelligence branch of the service.

From May, 1942, to July, 1943, Lieut. Glidden was stationed at Nantucket as Intelligence Officer. He was then transferred to headquarters in the same capacity, following which he was assigned to Armed Guard duty at sea aboard transports. During the next year and a half he was on board craft touching at Mediterranean, North African, Red Sea, South African, South American and West Indian ports. After V-J day, he went out to the Great Lakes Naval Station for several months. Until the commencement of his terminal leave in May of this year, he served as General Court Martial Boards as legal adviser.

Mr. Glidden is the first Nantucket boy to engage in the practice of law in his native town for many years. His many friends and acquaintances wish him the success he deserves.

June 17
1946

Graduation Exercises Held on Thursday Evening.

A class of twenty-three graduates received diplomas from Nantucket High School at exercises held at the North Congregational Church on Thursday evening, June 19. Following a pattern now accepted, the graduates, wearing cap and gown, formed a procession from the Vestry, escorted by the boys of the Junior class.

The following program was presented:

Processional
Invocation Rev. Fr. Wm. Shovelton
Star Spangled Banner
Welcome Henry Fee
Song, "Nightfall", Liszt School
Essays by Honor Students
"Courage for the Future" Priscilla Cook
"Nantucket's Contribution to American Literature" Ruthe Toner
"The Pan American Union Creates Good Will" Pauline Dorais
Song "Carmena," Wilson School
Class Will Nancy Stiles
Class Prophecy Wray MacKay
Class Gifts Jane Ray
Class History Barbara Deacon
Song, "The Artists' Life" School
Presentation of Awards
Supt. of Schools Richard Porter
Presentation of Diplomas
School Committee Chairman Day
Class Song Words by Vivien Healy
Benediction Rev. Claude Bond

Essays by the three honor students highlighted the program, but the customary Class Will, History and Prophecy were much enjoyed by the student body.

Diplomas were awarded to the following graduates:

College Course—Wray Eshorne MacKay, Nancy Carolyn Stiles, Ruthe Frances Toner.

Civic Arts Course—Clair Elsworth Butler, Jr., Russell Benson Chase, Arthur Leo Desrocher, Henry Warren Fee, Alfred Clarke Perry, Jane Coffin Ray.

Commercial Course—Priscilla Inez Cook, Barbara Young Deacon, Pauline Rita Dorais, Vivien Louise Healy, Gertrude May King, Elizabeth Marie Oliver.

Home Economics—Florence Augusta Burdick, Grace Louise Loweell, Frances Elizabeth Visco.

Industrial Arts—Robert Dunham Francis, Donald Wilfred Holdgate, Frank Reynolds Keating, Albert Charles Stackpole.

Class Officers

President—Henry W. Fee
Vice President—Russell B. Chase
Secretary—Ruthe F. Toner
Treasurer—Wray E. MacKay
Class Flower—Gardenia
Class Colors—Blue and Gold
Class Motto—"Mastery is a short cut for opportunity."

Before presenting the diplomas, School Committee Chairman Day announced that representatives of various graduating classes had accepted invitations to be present. A large proportion of the classes of 1946, 1945 and 1942 classes were on hand to receive a warm welcome. Five of the nine members of 25th-anniversary class—Misses Rosamond Duffy and Lillian Foster, Everett Lamb, Eugene F. Burgess and Edouard Stackpole—arose as the class of 1922 was announced, and one member of the class of 1897—Miss Grace Brown Gardner—stood to receive loud applause.

June 21

1947

Miss Edgerton Receives Degree at Cornell.

Miss Priscilla G. Edgerton, of 52 Centre street, Nantucket, Mass., is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Home Economics at Cornell University's 78th annual commencement on Sunday, June 23d. Miss Edgerton prepared at Charlotte High School. During her college career she was a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority, Omicron Nu, honorary society, Phi Kappa Phi, national honorary society, and Raven and Serpent, women's honorary society. She was also co-chairman of the Red Cross Committee, was a member of Willard Straight Committees, of Pan-Hellenic Council, of Residence Council, and of the Women's House of Representatives. She was a Nurse's Aide and sang in Sage Chapel Choir.

June 22

Mrs. Wallace Eldridge Observed 90th Anniversary.

From the Passaic, N. J. Herald.

Mrs. Wallace A. Eldredge, who makes her home with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Farnham, 241 Mountain Way, Rutherford, observed her 90th birthday yesterday. She was the recipient of a shower of birthday cards and visited with friends throughout the afternoon and evening at an open house. Her other daughter, Mrs. Herbert Thomson, of Providence, R. I., was present.

Mrs. Eldredge has made her home in Rutherford since the death of her husband 11 years ago at their home in Point Independence, Mass. She has led an interesting and colorful life, first as the daughter of a Nantucket ship captain and later as the wife of a lighthouse keeper. She had the distinction while stationed at the Wings Neck Lighthouse at the Buzzard's Bay entrance to the Cape Cod Canal of sending the first boat through the waterway when it was opened.

She was born Louise Joy, the only one of the six children in her family not born in a foreign land. Her father, who owned his own ship, set sail from Nantucket Island where they lived when he was 30 years of age and was lost at sea. Neither his ship nor any members of his crew were ever heard from again. Two of her brothers, William Joy and B. Whitford Joy, also took to the sea, both serving as captains, the former dying of cholera in Shanghai.

Mrs. Eldredge lived at Sankaty Head Light at Siasconset on Nantucket, Cape Pogue Light on Martha's Vineyard, and at Wings Neck Light. During their 30 years on these lighthouses there were many winters when she went for nine months without seeing another woman's face. During the worst of the winter weather, however, they often had company when a ship ran aground of the rocks and in the tradition of the lighthouse service, the keeper's wife fed and housed the crew until they could be taken off by another ship.

When they first entered the lighthouse service, kerosene lamps were used to furnish the light from the lighthouse, the rays of the lamp being reflected by famous and expensive imported prisms. During their time they saw the transition from kerosene to vapor lamp which took nearly three-quarters of an hour of steady feeding with special fuel to light and finally at the time of their retirement, electricity.

A lighthouse keeper's wife is responsible for the making and keeping in order of the many flags used as storm warning signals and posted by lighthouses. During World War I, their position at Wings Neck Light at the mouth of the Cape Cod Canal carried with it extreme responsibilities, with the threat of German submarine attack imminent. A 24-hour watch with binoculars constituted a vigil in which both keeper and his wife took turns.

Mrs. Eldredge says she doesn't know to what to attribute her longevity but her family believes she must have built up an extremely strong constitution during the early years of her life. Four years ago she underwent a major operation from which she recovered. Besides her daughters she has four grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Red Cap No. 42 to Speak at Baptist Church.

The Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Rev. David P. Foulk, announces that a guest layman speaker, Ralston C. Young—better known as Red Cap No. 42 in New York City's Grand Central Station—will be present at this Sunday evening's service.

Red Cap No. 42 is an ardent Christian layman who serves his Lord while he serves the teeming crowds of travelers. Many a person who has had luggage carried by Mr. Young had also had the burden of his heart lifted through his winsome testimony.

Many will recall the article in a recent issue of the Reader's Digest and would appreciate hearing the story first hand. Such is the opportunity offered to you this Sunday evening, June 22, at 7:45 in the First Baptist Church, Summer Street at Traders Lane.

June 21
1947

Tablet Dedicated Over Heart of Dr. Charles F. Winslow.

One of the most unusual ceremonies to take place on Nantucket in a number of years occurred at the Newtown (South) Cemetery on Monday afternoon.

Edward Rowe Snow, noted author of books on New England subjects, together with a group of members of the Massachusetts Historical League, came to Nantucket for the memorial services over the spot where the heart of Charles Frederick Winslow, M. D., is buried in the grave of his father and mother.

A tablet was placed and dedicated over the grave of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Winslow, where the heart of Dr. Winslow was interred seventy years ago.

Present were members of the Winslow family name from Nantucket, Boston, Winthrop, Ipswich, Brookline, Cambridge, and from Philadelphia and Dallas, Texas.

Dr. Charles F. Winslow was born in Nantucket in 1811, and sailed the seven seas on scientific expeditions. He died suddenly in Salt Lake City, Utah Territory, in 1877, and his will stipulated that his ashes be placed beside the body of his wife, the former Lydia Coffin Jones, of Nantucket, in Mt. Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge, and that his heart be returned to Nantucket and be buried without ceremony, at midnight, in the grave of his parents. This was done, and the interment of the heart was carried out by Capt. Rule and Daniel Russell.

Mr. Snow, who conducted the memorial services at the cemetery, read a telegram of greeting from Arthur Castle Winslow, only living grandson of Dr. Winslow, now residing in San Francisco. Mr. Winslow was for many years in charge of Dr. Winslow's property acquired in the 1850's, when he and other islanders shipped lumber for the '49ers of the Gold Rush days.

Mrs. James C. Oehler, great-granddaughter of Dr. Winslow, who came all the way from Texas for the occasion, gave an outline of Dr. Winslow's amazing career from the time that he was educated at Harvard by the whaling interests to the time when he left the curious will which has attracted nationwide attention at least twice since his death.

While Dr. Winslow had many interests besides medicine, notably politics, foreign trade and the temperance cause, his high consuming passion was scientific research in connection with volcanoes and earthquakes. After traveling to Mexico and the islands of the South Pacific, collecting scientific data, he published his findings in several books.

In 1858, he wrote to Michael Faraday, the great English scientist:

"Our mental prisms may be clear enough one of these days to dissolve the great secret of nature now hidden in the action and reaction of matter and force. At any rate it is by the study of *Atoms* alone that progress can be made."

It is noteworthy that Faraday, whose important theories had not yet been accepted, encouraged the obscure Nantucket physician, by writing:

"I doubt whether any scientists are as yet favorable to such views as ours. If the views be truth it will require time for them to make their view. Still they are announced and I am persuaded will progress, though probably not much in the present generation."

Dr. Will Gardner, following the presentation of the marker by the League's President, Francis Haskell, dedicated it and led the group in prayer. Dr. Gardner is the noted historian of Nantucket and author of the recent historical study, "Three Bricks and Three Brothers." Closing the service, Mrs. Alice Rowe Snow, who rounded the Horn twice in a sailing vessel, played two familiar hymns on the zither.

The inscription on the tablet reads: "The heart of Dr. Charles F. Winslow lies buried here."

Attending the services, in addition to League members, and interested summer visitors to Nantucket, were Winslow descendants of Benjamin Winslow, father of Dr. Winslow. Of the direct descendants of the physician, four attended: Robert Shippen Irving, and his son Robert W. Irving, and daughter Kathleen Winslow Irving, and Mrs. Oehler.

Among the Nantucket Winslows on hand were: Mrs. Isabel (Winslow) Riddell, Miss Mabel Winslow, Miss Maud Winslow, Mrs. Bessie (Winslow) Cartwright, Mrs. Addison T. Winslow, Miss Helen Winslow.

Contributors to the tablet or attending the services were: Louise Bancroft, Alice Snow, Adelina Jones, Elizabeth Fleming, Arthur Noyes, C. A. Hall, Josephine Holt, Mrs. J. C. Oehler, Josephine Hope, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Irving, Robert W. Irving, Connie Leonidas, Daphne Karos, Kathleen Winslow Irving, John Light, Rose Fitch, Ray Lanham, Alice MacDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Corey, Catherine M. MacDonald, S. A. Clark, A. E. Pratt, Margaret Simpson, Isabella Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rowe Snow, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Hills, Alicia Hills, Carroll Hills, Francis F. Haskell, Ashford V. Haskins, Arthur C. Winslow, Corisande Winslow, Catherine Griffin.

July 19

Death of William T. Ainsworth.

William T. Ainsworth, of New Bedford, who had been a summer visitor to Nantucket for a great many years and was well-known to both residents and summer visitors, died Wednesday after only a few hours' illness, at the age of seventy-three.

Mr. Ainsworth had come to Nantucket a short time previous, with Mrs. Ainsworth, and they were stopping with Mrs. William J. Blair, on Plumb lane, as has been their custom for many years. He had been in rather poor health during the winter and spring, but was benefited by the Nantucket air and seemed to be steadily improving when he collapsed into diabetic coma on Wednesday and did not regain consciousness.

The deceased had been connected with the Wamsutta Mills in New Bedford for a great many years and held a responsible office position. He was a member of the Masonic fraternity and had reached the 32d Degree.

The remains were taken to New Bedford for interment.

Tracy—Weber.

William Hart Tracy, who has been connected with the United States Weather Bureau these many years and at present holds the position of meteorologist-in-charge at the Boston office in the Federal building, and Miss Elinor Joyce Weber, a meteorology aide in his office, were married on Nantucket last Sunday, the ceremony being performed by the groom's brother-in-law, Rev. William E. Gardner, at the family home on Orange street.

Only the immediate members of the two families were present. The bridal couple left on the afternoon boat, and after a two weeks' honeymoon trip through Maine they will make their home at 11 Linnet street in West Roxbury. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Charles A. Weber, of West Roxbury.

Mr. Tracy has been in charge of the Boston office of the Weather Bureau for two and a half years. He came to Boston from Buffalo, where he had been in charge of the Weather Bureau office in that city for some time.

Early Morning Fire Destroyed Large Barn and Contents.

Residents of the town who were not already awake were aroused from early morning slumbers Thursday by the sound of the fire horn sounding box 152. It was a clear morning and a pall of smoke rising to the southwest gave visible evidence of the presence of the fire. The alarm was sounded at 6:05 and within a few minutes the Hummock Pond road was thronged with motorists and cyclists, following in the wake of the motor pumpers from the fire station.

From the rise of ground near the Prospect Hill cemetery, the black smoke and red flames could be seen rising high in the air from the large barn at the former John Ring farm, on Somerset road. The fire had been sighted by a number of people at 6:00 o'clock, but Mrs. Clara McGrady was first to telephone the fire station. It was all too evident that the flames had been eating away the interior of the barn for some time before it burst through the roof. Chief Cartwright and his men realizing this immediately began their efforts to save the remaining buildings and house, near by. The wind being from the east aided them considerably.

A hose line was laid from the hydrant at the junction of the Hummock Pond and Somerset roads, and one pumper assigned to the task of maintaining the line. It was noticeable throughout the operation that, despite the considerable distance of some 400 yards from the hydrant to the scene of the fire, the pumper was able to keep an even pressure and supply plenty of water for the hose-men.

A large quantity of tar paper in rolls had been stored in the barn and these provided a fuel which burned fiercely even with tons of water being poured upon it. Among other articles destroyed were a number of old carriages stored there. A pile of lumber in a garage alongside the barn was salvaged.

There was little that could be done toward saving any part of the big barn, which was consumed so rapidly that the fact the fire had gained an unsurmountable headway was further substantiated.

The farm was one of the properties of Lawrence Miller, of Nantucket and New York. The cause of the fire has not been ascertained.

The department was called out at 2:30 yesterday (Friday) afternoon to put out a brisk blaze which developed in the ruins of the barn and which originated from fire that had been smouldering in some hay. The incipient blaze was quickly extinguished, and the ruins soaked again.

Will Talk to Neighbors on Early History of Nantucket.

The regular Neighbors meeting on Tuesday evening will feature an address on the early history of Nantucket by Robert J. Leach. The meeting will be held at Bennett Hall. Mr. Leach is engaged in writing a history of Nantucket Quakerism during the years 1661 to 1763, and has been doing considerable research this summer.

A member of the Religious Society of Friends of Philadelphia and vicinity, Mr. Leach has been interested in the history of the early Nantucket Quakers for some time. He is a native of Reading, Mass., and has spent most of his life at Edgartown, on Martha's Vineyard.

He attended Marietta College, where he received an A. B. degree, the Ohio State University, where he received an M. A., and is working for his Ph. D. at the University of Pennsylvania.

He has served on the staff of the Pendle Hill Graduate School, Wallingford, Penna., and during the war was in Civilian Public Service.

At present, Mr. Leach is assistant professor of history at Salem College, Winston-Salem, N. C.

Two years ago the records of the Nantucket Monthly Meeting of Friends were returned to the island by the interest and thoughtfulness of several Rhode Island resident members who had preserved them and were given to the custodianship of the Nantucket Historical Association. Mr. Leach has made a careful study of these records, as well as other relating materials. His talk to the Neighbors should be a most interesting one and well worth hearing.

In Arlington, Mass., Oct. 14, Emily Lewis, widow of the late David W. Lewis. Interment at Nantucket.

Wreck of The "W. F. Marshall," by "Alice Gardner."

One night in March, seventy years ago, as my sister Edith and I approached my uncle's home, Mt. Vernon Farm, on our walk home from school, we noticed beyond the head of Hummock Pond, the masts of a large ship outlined against the evening sky. Greatly excited, we told our father about it as soon as we reached home. He, also, was surprised and worried for shoals in the region made it exceedingly dangerous, so he was concerned for the safety of the ship.

There was no way of learning more that night, but the next morning I awakened to hear my father call to my mother: "There is a ship ashore at Mioxes Pond and I am going." He left and we did not see him again until mid-afternoon when he returned bringing a young colored woman and her six weeks old baby. Here is what happened:

When my father reached the beach he found the ship so far in shore as to be in the line of the breakers with the surf breaking high over her. The news of the wreck spread quickly, so soon the townspeople began to arrive and the men began to plan how to get the crew off, for the ship was in a dangerous position. A cry that there was a woman on board increased the anxiety and every thought was to get her off safely.

Finally she was wrapped up carefully, strapped into a chair and swung out from one of the masts. With the men on shore ready to catch her, she was landed safely. In his eagerness to help her, "Benny" Wye took a bundle she had held in her lap, tucked it under his arm and began on the wrappings.

All at once the bundle began to squirm and cry! Mr. Wye, in his astonishment, dropped it, but the baby was not harmed. Our home was near enough so that Father decided to bring the mother and baby to us to be made comfortable.

Because of investigations as to why the vessel was so far in shore, the crew was held on the island for some time, but my story is not concerned with the official problems. Though the captain and some of the men stayed in town the rest came to our house. The young colored woman, the wife of the ship's steward, proved to be a very fine person who did everything in her power to help my mother with the extra demands so suddenly put upon her. It fell to my lot to look after the baby, and I was quite willing for I was fascinated with her, the first colored baby I had ever seen.

Of course the entire problem of the unusual wreck caused much excitement in town for some time, and when Edith and I went to school we were asked many questions.

One day Miss Robinson (Miss Sara Catherine Robinson), the assistant teacher in the high school at that time, came to my room and stopped at my desk. The room was perfectly quiet as she said: "Alice, I hear that you have a little colored baby at your home."

"Yes," I said.

When she asked "What is its name?" I was almost speechless, but finally managed in a very small voice to say "Sara Catherine Robinson". I can see her now as she put her head back to laugh, but the children did more than laugh, they shouted. In thinking about it in later years, I feel sure that she had heard of the baby's name and planned to have a little fun, but it was not funny to me.

One of the crew had a Newfoundland dog on ship-board, so when he came to our house the dog came, too. As Edith and I had never had a dog it was a case of love at first sight, and he at once attached himself to us. When the crew left the owner offered to give him to us. Father was willing, so we named the dog "Marshall", for the ship. Good natured and intelligent, Marshall always wanted to go to town with us when we went to school, which, of course, was not allowed. But when it was time for us to be home at night, Father would say "Marshall, go meet the girls", and away he would go like a streak of lightning to find us, to take our dinner basket in his mouth, then to dash back home.

At that time my father had helping him a young boy, "Willie Worron", who was clever with his hands. He made a wagon and harness for Marshall, then taught him to do errands, carry wood for Mother, etc. We had Marshall for several years, but in the end his good nature was his undoing. Because he was wrecked on the island, the townspeople made so much of him that he would run off and stay in town visiting regular places where he was fed. He was away so much that finally Father decided it could not go on, so he let the captain of a small sailing vessel take him to sea again. Thus ended our connections with the wreck of the "Marshall".

Alice Gardner Murdock.
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JULY 19, 1947.

Death of Lawrence Cummings in New York City.

Lawrence B. Cummings, a resident of Nantucket since his retirement from business in New York a decade ago, died at the Roosevelt Hospital on Monday evening. He had gone up for a short periodical visit, and was stricken by an attack of coronary thrombosis on Tuesday, October 14, only a few hours after his arrival in New York. He remained in a serious condition for the next three days, then rallied, so that, although still critically ill, it was thought he would ultimately recover. Death came at 8 o'clock on Monday evening.

Mr. Cummings was born in Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 5, 1881, but he was of New England stock, his paternal ancestors being among the first settlers of the Dartmouth township in southeastern Massachusetts. He was graduated from Harvard University in 1903. In 1910, he obtained a law degree from Indiana Law School, but he never went into the practice of law.

As a man of strong convictions and high principles he was always ready to respond when matters of public interest were involved, and his aid was always an important factor.

Upon his retirement from the business world, Mr. Cummings purchased the residence on 4 Pleasant street which became his permanent home. Always keenly interested in the life of the community, he was soon called upon to bring his rich experience toward the solving of island problems.

With the advent of World War II he served on the Committee of Public Safety and drew up the program for Civilian Defense which was adopted by the Town.

Upon the organization of the local Selective Service Board, Mr. Cummings was appointed by Governor Saltonstall to the important post as legal advisor to the Board, and in this capacity he worked without stint.

With the end of the war he was again called upon to render service—this time as the head of the Veterans' Employment and Apprentice Training Program. His ability at organization made the local program one of the most successful in the entire state.

Lawrence Cummings was a deep student of history, particularly the colonial and revolutionary periods of the country's early development. He explored many obscure phases of the settlement of southeastern Massachusetts, and had a professional knowledge of the Revolutionary period.

He was a member of several local organizations, among them the Winter Club, the Sons of the Revolution, the Pacific Club, and the American Legion, in all of which he took an active interest. He was convinced that the cause of world peace could only be advanced by the strengthening of the charter of the United Nations by the inauguration of international law supported by an international police force.

Memorial services were held at St. Paul's Church at 12 noon on Thursday, at which time the Rev. Richard Strong, pastor of the church, gave a short and fitting tribute to his memory. The Church was well filled with friends and acquaintances, attesting to the respect in which he was held by the entire community.

As Rev. Mr. Strong so aptly stated: "He had qualities of mind and heart that were strong and deep, and a love for his fellowmen and his country's God that were outstanding."

Interment was at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., on Thursday.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Evalyn Willis Cummings, and two sons, Talbott Cummings, of Detroit, and James Lawrence Cummings, of Berkeley, California.

Deaths

Mrs. Theodore F. Newcomb

Mrs. Theodore F. Newcomb, 83, died at her home at 43 Center street, Sunday.

Mrs. Newcomb was the daughter of Sarah Starbuck Morse and Timothy Morse and the widow of Theodore Newcomb.

She is survived by three sons, Arthur and Timothy Newcomb and George Johnson, all of Nantucket, besides other children and grandchildren in Brockton.

Burial was in Brockton Tuesday.

Death of Miss Mabel Bliss.

Mabel W. Bliss, who passed away at the Nantucket Hospital last Saturday morning after an illness of only a few days, had been making her home at 12 North Water street for many years, without known relatives and living in her own way, apparently with few friends and acquaintances.

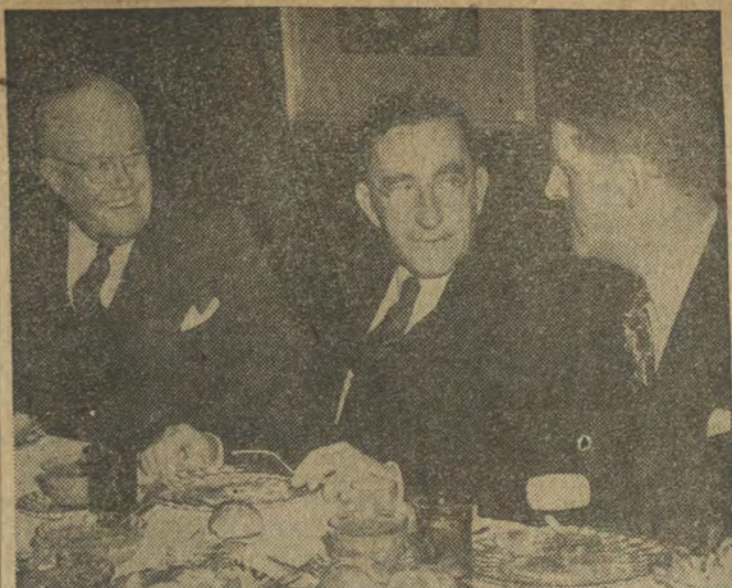
For many years she worked for Mr. and Mrs. Calvert Handy during the summer months, and served the guests whom they had at their boarding-house. In recent years she conducted what she called the "White Elephant Shop" in the front room of her home and there she offered an accumulation of material which had its appeal to some members of the summer colony, who stopped there more out of curiosity than for desire to purchase.

During the past few months, the deceased had been in need, but was too proud to seek assistance, and when her condition was realized and she was taken to the hospital, it was a very sad case.

Little was known about her relatives or family and she always said she was "alone", after the death of Dr. and Mrs. Jenks. She said she was born in Florida, but how she came to live on Nantucket as a young girl and has spent the years of her life here is not known.

She was a regular attendant at the Unitarian church, was a great reader of Shakespeare, and a student of literature in her own way.

Funeral services were held at the Unitarian Vestry, Tuesday afternoon, conducted by the Rev. Willard McKinstry, the retiring pastor. A number of her neighbors attended. Interment was in the Prospect Hill cemetery.



53D ANNUAL REUNION of the Sons and Daughters of Nantucket last night at the 20th Century Club. The group heard addresses by Donald W. Nicholson (center) of Wareham, president of the State Senate, and Cyrus Barnes (left) of Nantucket, State Representative. William J. Fitzgerald, president of the organization and clerk of the Massachusetts Appellate Tax Board, is at right.

Injured in Auto Accident.

Miss Jeanne Jaeckle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Jaeckle, and John Dooley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dooley, were painfully injured in an auto accident on Christmas night. The Jaeckle beach-wagon, in which they were riding, went out of control as it left the hard-surface of the Hummock Pond road to proceed along Milk street extension, and careened into a telephone pole. The young people, both students at the Nantucket High School, were removed to the Nantucket Hospital. The extent of their injuries will not be determined until the x-ray plates are developed.

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William H. Tripp, curator of the Dartmouth Historical Society at New Bedford, came down Wednesday and has been the guest of Miss Grace Brown Gardner at her home on Milk street.

Dec. 20, 1947

4 Generations Hold Family Reunion

Four generations of the Thomas family held their first family reunion in 35 years at the West Chester street home of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram W. Macy Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. Lillie Thomas, 82, beamed happily on the 19 youngsters and grown-ups of her immediate family who attended.

Present beside Mr. and Mrs. Macy, the former Maud Thomas, were two daughters, Miss Hazel Thomas and Miss Frances Thomas of Nantucket; and two sons, Forrest Thomas of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Lloyd Thomas of Providence, R. I., with his wife, four grandchildren: Mrs. R. Albert Kenyon, the former Odris Macy, of Nantucket, and Mrs. James Higgins, the former Hazel Macy of West Medford, Clinton Thomas Macy of Nantucket and Miss Judy Ann Thomas of Providence, R. I.; and five great-grandchildren: Billy and Betty Ann Kenyon of Nantucket, and Dathie, Brien and Robert Higgins of West Medford, Mass.

Also present were R. Albert Kenyon and Mr. James Higgins. Miss Virginia Johnstone of Brooklyn, N. Y., was a guest at the family gathering.

Dec. 1947

Miss Clementine M. Platt

Miss Clementine Mentelle Platt who followed a nursing career all her life died Tuesday noon at her home, 63 Orange street, where she lived with a sister and only immediate surviving relative, Miss Marie Platt. She was 65.

A descendant of one of the original settlers of the Island, Edward Starbuck, Miss Clementine Platt was a native of Laurel, Md. However, she spent virtually all her life as a resident of Nantucket, spending only Winters off the Island until 1924 when she became a public health nurse here. She held that position for about ten years.

She did Red Cross nursing organizational work in Elizabethtown, Ky., and Caldwell, N. J. and school nursing in Massachusetts. She also served as a public health nurse in New Hampshire.

Funeral services were held at nine o'clock this morning at Our Lady Of The Isle Church and burial was in St. Mary's ceme-

Aug. 1947

Nantucket Is in Middle of Building Boom, Survey Shows

Nantucket is in the middle of a building boom, according to a partial survey made through the local lumber companies. Carpenters, electricians, masons, painters and plumbers have work piled ahead for months to come.

Building supplies are available in greater quantity, according to the lumber companies, and the quality of wood has improved somewhat. Nails—due to labor difficulties in the steel mills—remain an actual problem.

The following is a list of homes, buildings and renovations, completed or still in the construction stage. It is not a complete list but reflects aptly the existence of a building boom.

On the corner of Center and Broad streets, Dr. Ernest H. Menges has built a new office. Elmore Swain, near East Lincoln and Walsh streets, has put up another cottage, called Purple Shutters. Gordon MacDonald, electrician, is completing a two-story, shingled house on the corner of South Water street and East Chestnut street. The home of Mr. and Mrs. Ormonde F. Ingall on Easy street, formerly the Easy Street Galleries, has been renovated during the past year. Behind the Gordon Folger Hotel and near to and facing toward the Beach road is an attractive cottage built by Gordon Folger. In that same general locality, Frank Sylvia has erected two cottages for summer rental. Gilbert Nickerson, off West Chester street, is renovating apartments.

Erects Building

On Easton street near Brant Point, Mrs. Samuel A. King has erected a building on her grounds. On Jefferson avenue, Eleanor Weeden, portraitist, has built a house. Somewhat above that location and along the North Shore past the Cliff stands the completed home of Jules de R. Thebaud. Next door, Lawrence Miller's new house, general plan of which grows more visible each day, is under construction.

Turning back into town several new homes are noticeable. On Saratoga street, William Baillie's one-story cottage, built this Summer, is already occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Baillie. Behind them and a little to the North is the new home of the Joseph

Indios, formerly a barn belonging to Fred M. Heighton. Raymond Reed's new house, now being built, stands on Upper Vestal street. The former Ellis house on Vestal street belonging to Mrs. Ruth Chagnon is being renovated this Fall. Next door, Mrs. Edgar Jenney had an attractive home built and completed this Summer. On the same street and two houses above, Mrs. M. Worthington Keith renovated the former Emery house this Summer. Andrew Brady is building a home on New Lane and on Upper Main street, Mrs. Louise E. Glass completed restoration of her home, the former Ellis house, this Summer.

Changes and additions appear in the South side of the town also. Miss Carrie Miller has renovated her house which faces Stone Alley on Union street. Edward Lewis is renovating the house on the corner of Union and Lafayette streets, formerly his mother's, into a funeral parlor. The new building of the Dryshoal Cleaners, completed in June, stands on the corner of Washington and Coffin streets. Miss Ruth H. Sutton had two buildings renovated this Summer into studios at Commercial Wharf.

Cranberry Houses Moved

An interesting job of remodeling was done during the Spring and Summer on the cranberry houses moved from the bogs to the lot on Washington street, bought by Peter Kerr, and used for the Kerr School of Art. Well along on Washington street, Mitchell Todd is now completing a second new building next to Jones' boatyard. Jack Ramos, at the back of his lot on Orange and York streets, is building a new shop. Mrs. Sidney E. Martin is renovating her home on Darling street, which was the former Terry house. Richard Corkish is building a new shop on Warren street. Elias J. Lyon has had a new addition built to his Pleasant street home this Fall and next door, Albert Bloomfield has been renovating his home, the former Fawcett house.

Diagonally across the street, on the corner of Pleasant and Mill streets, Mrs. Herbert A. Wood is now in the process of renovating the former Eleanor Brown house. On lower Pleasant street, the building to house the making of potato chips was completed this Summer for Francis Perry. Behind the Cyrus Peirce School is a new house belonging to Arthur Stetson, com-

pleted in the Spring. In Vesper lane across from the school, Melvin Anderson's new building to house a bakery is being completed.

Marine Lumber Company has added a new shed to its lumber yard and the Island Service Company is renovating the west end of its lumber building into a hardware store with a large show window.

Robert V. Howley at Poverty Point is adding on to his property with a new Summer house. In the same area, Eugene Burgess is putting up a new building. At the intersection of Milestone road and Old South road, Manuel Dias has enlarged his gasoline station and added a showroom for cars.

Construction in Shimmo

In Shimmo, Miss Louise Veo has built a house, McMillan Clements an addition to his house, Low Tide, and Robert Elder has converted some stables into a beautiful home. Donald Craig, who owns the old Chadwick property in Polpis, has erected two new buildings. The Mason house, formerly the Buckner home, next to James Coghill, was moved back from the beach this week.

'Sconset has joined the construction movement with several new houses, some completed, some still unfinished. Mrs. Vincent C. Rockey has a new house going up on Sankaty Bluff. The 'Sconset Inn increased in number its cottages to seven last Spring. The Beach House, under new management, renovated in the Spring.

In Surfside, some new buildings appeared along the beach. Mrs. Caroline Ramsey moved a building to a lot near the Manner farm while Mrs. Eugene Yates had an attractive beach house made from a house moved from the cranberry bogs last Spring.

In Madaket, Norman McCleave is renovating and building an addition to his cottage. Sidney Killen has almost completed his new home. At Warren's Landing, DeWitt Smith has built a house.

Last Winter Lawrence Miller began the restoration of the former Larrabee farm on Hummock Pond road. The old farmhouse and the barn are being renovated. Other new buildings to house stock and equipment are being completed.

The John J. Gardner family has its own construction project. The boys, Richard and David and their father, are building a camp on Hummock Pond.

Northwest Gale Caused Varied Damage in Nantucket.

Sweeping from southeast to northwest with comparative swiftness, a gale of marked intensity drove across Nantucket Wednesday afternoon and night, causing extensive damage and recreating a situation comparable at one time to the hurricane of 1944.

The storm came more or less unheralded. A southeast gale with rain on Saturday had given way to clearing weather and moderate temperatures. But early Wednesday morning, another southeast rainstorm occurred and the wind blew with gale force, suddenly moderating before noon. A falling barometer, however, indicated a disturbance of some sort, and when the wind began to shift at noon on Thursday, and swing from southeast to west, it was generally expected that a westerly was in the offing.

But the fierceness of the resulting northwest gale was entirely unexpected. At 1:00 o'clock, the wind had risen sharply and during the next hour a gale built up which shrieked out of Nantucket Sound with hurricane proportions. The instruments at the Weather Bureau did not record the full extent of the storm, due to an interruption in electric power facilities, but estimates by various townsfolk placed the velocities beyond the 75 miles per hour peak, with gusts equaling the Boston record of 91 miles per hour.

The trees were first to suffer damage, and the streets were soon littered with broken branches. A limb was torn from one of the old Main street's elms and, toppling to the cobbles below, narrowly missed a car which had just backed out from the curb.

The upper portion of a tree in front of the C. F. Wing Store on Federal street was broken off, and on Centre street a large limb from a tree on the Schenck property split off and fell into the Willets Folger yard next door. Chimneys began to sway and shingles, ripped from northerly exposed roofs began to fly away, creating a menace to pedestrians.

Again, the phenomenon accompanying high winds over Nantucket was present—the salt spray which was picked up by the gale and swept like rain all over the island.

At 4:00 p. m. the instruments at the Weather Bureau at the Nantucket Airport were rendered useless by the failure of the electric power. There had been readings of from 60 to 70 miles per hour, and the wind was increasing. Gusts of an estimated 90 miles per hour were felt soon after.

The storm's height was probably between the hours of 5 to 6 o'clock in the afternoon. The wind gusts at this period were doing their most damage. Chimneys were being toppled and roof walks lifted from their positions atop ridge poles. Shingles and broken tree branches were being carried through the air like pieces of paper.

The gale continued without let-up through-out the evening. There was a short lull around 7:00 p. m., but it was not until after midnight that the wind noticeably diminished. Due to the fact that several sections of the town were without electric power, it proved an anxious night for many families.

There were periods when the rain fell heavily, leaking through damaged roofs and down through ceilings below. Late in the night, the sky began to clear, and this was fortunate as it eliminated further rain damage.

When morning dawned, with the sun shining brightly, it was difficult to believe that a storm of such violence had occurred only a few hours before, but a walk about town gave visible evidence that the gale had been an unwelcome but none-the-less most evident visitor.

The most spectacular damage was suffered by the CAA radio beam station in the Long Pond area at the west end. The five 300-foot steel towers, which were completed less than eight months ago, were leveled and shattered by the gale. Lying in ruin, the steel frame-work of the towers cover a wide area, being in disjointed, twisted shapes along the ground.

When the towers were erected it was believed they would stand wind pressures in excess of 150 miles per hour. But the vast difference between a steady, sustained pressure and the buffeting gusts of a 80-mile gale were amply demonstrated. Engineer Wilson, one of the men at the scene when the towers collapsed, stated that the three on the off-side from the wind direction fell practically at the same instant, the fourth a few minutes later, and that the fifth and last tower stood a half-hour longer than its fellows.

The loss of the towers is a serious set-back in the development of this important CAA project. Engineers stated that the experimental phase was practically completed; that the famous Presidential plane, the "Sacred Cow," had tested the beam on a flight from Washington, D. C., to Richmond, Va., the day previous, and that the plane was due to make a sea-flight test on the day the storm broke.

One of the big end-chimneys of the main section of the Ocean House was toppled at the height of the blow. It went over onto the slate roof and stove it in, with a number of bricks crashing down to the roof of the side-porch and going through that roof. Supt. Tice had the area roped off, so that pedestrians would not fall victim to any further fall of the other brick chimneys.

The big chimney of the Benjamin Ticknor house on Pleasant street was another piece of heavy masonry to fall. Mrs. Hans Moller, who lives next door, saw the chimney go over late in the afternoon. It struck the main roof with such force as to crack one of the heaviest beams, with large pieces of the brick-work hurtling through the air to the porch below, going through the roof, down and on through the floor, dislodging plaster and laths in the room below. Paul Frye and his men were at work at the scene a short time after the news was relayed to him.

The "walk" on the house at the corner of Federal and Oak streets, recently purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Emmons, was torn loose. In falling, however, the south side of the "walk" slid down the roof at such an angle that the supports caught on the ridge-pole and kept the entire frame from falling into the street.

At the corner of Westminster and Gay streets, a chimney on the home of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ray went over and down through a porch roof, doing considerable damage to the walls and windows of the porch.

Across the street, a chimney on the deCosta property went over at about the same time.

The big tree on the Warland property, Main street, at the corner of Ray's Court, was a victim of the storm. The two big branches of the old tree split off, leaving the trunk as firmly embedded in the ground as ever. The tree was a Sycamore Plane, and had the largest girth of any tree on the island.

Further up Main street, in front of Mrs. Satler Gundry's "West Brick" property, one of the tall elms was literally "pushed" some eight inches out of its original perpendicular, so that the roots lifted the sidewalk to some extent. Tree Warden Gardner was of the opinion that the old tree would have to come down.

Out on Cliff Road, the barn on the Russell Pope property lost its west side and half the roof. The Kenyon garage, on Wesco Place, collapsed when its northwest wall gave way.

Among the score of chimneys all over town which were blown over were two chimneys on the B. F. Taylor property, upper Main street, the chimney on the Mrs. Arthur Dunham house on Main street, the chimney on the kitchen of the Nantucket Hospital on West Chester street, the rear chimney on the Lonnie Chase house, 43 Centre street, the chimney on the Janisch house, Orange street, and that on the Parker residence in Stone Alley.

Fences were another mark for the wind. The lattice-fences on the road along Beachside were leveled, so that Hulbert avenue presented an unusual appearance. The roof of a small cottage opposite the Stiefel property was torn off. The east fence at the Whaling Museum went over, and the board fence at the White Elephant on the Point was also flattened. At the Melhado estate, "Moors End", the wooden trellis-fence on the south side of the well known garden was toppled into Angora Lane.

The outstanding human experience of the storm centered about the stout Nantucket fishing sloop *Catherine T.* Capt. "Tobe" Flemming was caught in the unheralded storm while crossing the sound from Woods Hole. To mention that it was an unusual experience is putting it mildly. As the *Catherine T.* approached the jetties, the flashing light could not be seen, and the flying spray and spume completely smothered the entrance. In the dusk, with the gale roaring at its height, Capt. Flemming brought the sloop out into the Chord of the Bay, where he put over his anchors. Riding out such a gale meant taking a terrific beating, but the *Catherine T.* went through it—although one of her anchors was snapped under the tremendous strain. At daylight, the sloop was brought in and tied up at her berth at Island Service wharf.

Gus Bentley's radio tower was blown down, marking the third time it has been a storm victim. Antone Sylvia's flag-pole on Orange street snapped, and several other flag-staffs throughout the town were badly sprung as they whipped in the wind.

Part of a tree in the Defriez yard on Plumb lane went over, and a maple in the rear of the Satler house, at the corner of Main and Pleasant, was felled, falling across the lot where a small cottage once stood at the corner of Summer street.

At the corner of Cliff Road and North Liberty street, both the walk and chimney were torn from the little house next north of the State Police barracks.

One of the old radio towers at Surfside went over. These iron framed and steel towers had withstood two hurricanes, as well as many other strong gales since their erection a number of years ago, and were due to feel the effect of such a gale as roared over the island Wednesday.

The house which Ernest Lema purchased over a year ago, (the former Ames property), which he had moved from the shore of Hither Creek at Madaket, a few hundred yards to the south across the main highway, and had placed on iron jacks, was lifted from the temporary foundation during the storm. The ell at the rear was torn away from the main structure, but this appeared to be the only serious damage.

Madaket had its quota of fences leveled, storm doors torn adrift and storm doors "cast adrift," not forgetting the extensive loss of shingles from many roofs.

One of Frank Ramsdell's house at Madaket not only lost all its shingles on the north roof, but tar paper, as well, so that the pine boards were all exposed as though it were in the process of construction.

The roof of the new cottage being built at Pocomo for Mrs. Jennings by Albert Egan was blown away during the late afternoon.

Chimneys on the homes of the late Mrs. Kellogg, Hussey street; Howard Ebers, Westminster street, Mrs. Dabney Swain, Fair street; Rev. David P. Bulk, Howard street; Mrs. Arthur Dunham, Main street, and B. Chester Pease on North Liberty street, were either partially or wholly toppled.

The screening shed at the Nantucket Cranberry Company's big bog was flattened.

'Sconset suffered only minor damage compared to town. Selectman Ernest Coffin had the most unusual experience. He had just completed the task of propping heavy posts against the doors of his five-car garage, to ensure their remaining shut when he saw the entire roof of the building lift as a unit and go sailing through the air, being deposited 100 feet away in a neighbor's yard. It was a sight which, he declares, he will not soon forget. Mr. Coffin lost his flag-staff as well.

A small garage on property recently purchased by Roy E. Larsen, on McKinley, Ave., 'Sconset, was blown over.

Earl S. Ray was closing one of his garage doors on Hiller's Lane, around 4 o'clock, when a gust roared in and ripped off the double doors next to him, tearing out the lock and bolts as if they were paper fastenings.

One or two 'Sconseters watched an unusual sight: Sections of a corrugated tin roof on one of Eddie Coffin's barns were torn off and went hurtling through the air from King street, over telephone wires and over intervening houses until it went "over the bank." To see the sections go flying through the air was visible evidence of the tremendous force of the gale.

The chimney on the cottage occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Strout, Sunset Hill, was one of the first to come crashing down on the roof. The tin frame-top on the chimney of the Ellis cottage, next east, was also blown away.

Nov. 15, 1947

Fragrant Memories

Some Notions of an Old Man.

When Mrs. Sarah P. McLean Greene wrote her book, "Cape Cod Folks", early in the present century, she fell into the error—if it was an error—of calling names. She was forced to revise her copy and publish another edition, which made some of the victims happier but completely spoiled the book for the general reader.

There seems no sense in changing the name of a town by substituting an "r" for an "l", nor in calling Abby Baker (for example only) Abiah Cook, simply to satisfy some person who may be sensitive about his or her connection with some questionable incident. Everybody knows whose toes are being crushed.

Thus in these "fragrant memories" if the real names of actual people cannot be printed, the entire value of and interest in the references would be lost. However, I am not writing a book; further, not a soul has offered anything but sincere pleasure in all that has appeared thus far, so we will continue in the usual way. This time we will use first names only, which will save space and give readers a little guessing game.

My ten days in Nantucket this summer were too short to see all the good people on my list, and to visit all the scenes of earlier days. I did fall in with Ned and Peter, Charlie, Harry, Carrie, Cora, Archie, Emma H. and Emma C., Annie, Bert, Clara, William (the son of another Bert) Florence, Grace G. and Grace S.

Peter and Mary, in their automobile, gave me a very enjoyable afternoon's ride "out west'ard" and along South Shore. Mildred, with her auto, made it possible to have a better view of glorious sunsets and to see 'Sachacha in the quiet of the closing day—as it were the Sea of Galilee. Has anyone before remarked upon the resemblance? Then my cousins Ed. and Gladys from Ohio, the state prominent in political history, were my chauffeurs in drives about the island.

One such drive was made memorable when we became sunk in a sandy road two miles from the nearest help. Fortunately this proved to be the Coast Guard station. As a boy, this station, under Capt. Joe Winslow,

was an honored spot, and the men in it were heroes. More than one wreck and rescue proved it. The launching of the surfboat was a fascinating, exhilarating sight. Never before was it my experience to be "rescued". But a U. S. Jeep, guided by the "crew" of one man and his two small sons did the job in the twinkling of an eye, or, in this case, the pulling on a rope, to our great relief. He has our thanks.

While enjoying these rides about the island, via the means of transportation made historic through the insistence of "Clint" Folger, I must not overlook the thoughtfulness of Grace, the editor's good wife, upon whose invitation a ride to the airport and 'Sconset to deliver the "Mirrors" was made possible. Not only was she most gracious as a hostess and chauffeur, but the company of her mother and unusually well-mannered grand-son added considerably to the pleasure of the trip.

Fragrant memories do not include these modern conveniences. There have been times when they were greatly resented. But when "the keepers of the house...tremble and strong men...bow themselves, and the grinders cease because they are few, and those that look out of the house be darkened", a horseless carriage is a very useful piece of furniture. Automobiles dashing over the cobblestones of Main street are quite out of place; but on the hard black roads "out of town" it must be confessed they have made interesting sections of Nantucket a little more accessible and journeys to and from more enjoyable.

Fragrant memories had another "no error" inning thanks to the courtesy and friendly gesture of the Chief of the Fire Department—Archie. Previously something has been said about my relation to his mother, a woman of sainted memory. We had a delightful "gam" in his headquarters office. No alarm came to disturb the quiet of our reminiscences, many of which may be of general public interest, but not of a nature to be suitably prepared for this column. A letter just received from the Chief's sister, Edith, remembered by some who read these lines, is but one of several from Nantucket folks whose love for the old home will never die. The pleasure which these older natives seem to find in them is one, if not now the principal, reason for the continuance of these memories.

On the way out Hummock Pond Road with Peter and Mary, it was perfectly natural to stop for a call at the old farm of George H., where Edith and Alice were born and reared. The photo of the house which the present occupants graciously permitted me to take, has found its way to the only living member of that well-known and well-loved household. As I was ushered into the house to inspect the "improvements", I wondered what the old folks would say should they return! No single item of modern equipment to make domestic life easy seemed to be missing from the kitchen. The transformation in other rooms was equally complete and amazing. But I could not escape the thought that it would have been more appropriate to maintain the old "inconveniences" of an earlier day in that home, then on another location build and equip a modern house. Thus the antique and modern would not be in conflict, but each would receive the individual respect which each deserves. O, well, this is just an old man's notion.

An inducement to visit Nantucket this year "while the going is good", was the prospect of calling upon Grace, whose home on Milk street is one of but five, I think, still in possession of descendants unto the fourth generation. Nantucket is to be congratulated upon the return of those of her children who have accomplished so much in their more active years, now to give the town the benefit of their mature experience. Grace's hobby of assembling Nantucket history in convenient subject groupings is giving her an outlet for her abundant energy and literary ability, which will be of great value in years to come. Her scrapbooks make a remarkable showing and it was difficult to break away from an inspection of them. It was an inspiration, also, to meet again Will, Edouard, Charles, Everett, as well as those who are of a later vintage, as they occupied themselves in the promotion of the Historical Society, whose annual meeting it was my privilege to attend.

Sitting at breakfast, luncheon or dinner at the North Shore Restaurant—where food and service were exceptionally good, I was constantly aware of old associations under that identical roof (now raised and extended to accommodate a family on the second floor), where it was my job, almost seventy years ago, to serve North Shore neighbors with groceries, dry goods, pins and needles, kerosene oil, and molasses from adjoining barrels.

Missing were the men who gathered about the pot-bellied stove in Abner's office—Charles E., Peter, Bill J., Ben, for example, as well as the women customers—Sarah, Winnie, Mary, Lydia, Peggy,—all gone, but never forgotten. The young women who carry on that splendid restaurant are all, I think, of Nantucket ancestry, whose parents or grandparents were well-known. Thus on every hand memories of an earlier day made the 1947 vacation fascinating and rejuvenating.

With no intention of being discourteous to those who make Nantucket their summer home, for a shorter or longer period, I still feel impelled to offer a suggestion, even though it is quite outside the original purpose of these fragrant memories.

Observing "the pass" from one of the convenient settees on Main street—99 per cent. strange to an old-timer whose visits are infrequent—it was perfectly easy to separate the sheep from the goats, the native-born from the "off-islanders", particularly those who appeared to be of my generation. Approaching my thought by another avenue: Noting from a pew well in the rear of the North Congregational Church on two Sunday mornings that the attendance of women was at least 90 per cent. greater than that of men, the idea could not be silenced that the cultural as well as the spiritual atmosphere of Nantucket would be elevated if there might be a greater proportion of the male figure seen in church and less of the female figure on Main street. O, well, this is just another old man's notion; or, better, another notion of the same old man.

By the way, if you have never read that invigorating book by Henry Turner Bailey, "Yankee Notions", by all means run down to the library and ask for it. If they do not have it, ask Miss Stevens. Failing then, ask me. I will send a copy with bill. It is a real New England notion!

Alliston Greene.

Worcester, Mass., Aug. 28. 1947

Failure of The Large Insulators Caused Destruction of Towers.

The heavy storm which struck Nantucket from the southeast and northwest did a great deal of minor damage about town, but nothing that can even begin to compare with the destruction of the towers at the CAA omni-directional beam station at Madaket. The construction of these towers took months, and the erection of the 325-foot structures was watched by many.

Soon after the completion of the towers and the installation of the powerful equipment in the small building near the base of the center tower, tests were begun to discover the range, effectiveness, etc., of the station. A DC-3 transport plane was used to make these tests, and has been based at the field at Nantucket during the summer and early fall months.

The tests were completed on Tuesday of this week, and the omni-directional range station was to have gone into 24-hour operation on Thursday. The DC-3 would have left Wednesday with many of the engineers and workers, but their departure was delayed by the storm.

Wednesday morning the station was working perfectly, and was in operation until the towers started to fall. The plane of the President of the United States, "the Sacred Cow", was using the omni-directional beam on Nantucket to navigate from Richmond, Va., to Washington, according to the engineers, when the towers fell.

The destruction of these towers is a set-back to navigational aids, as well as a blow to experimental work being done in radio and electronics. It is not known at this time whether or not the government will see fit to rebuild the towers, or will merely clear away the debris and abandon the station.

If the towers are rebuilt they will probably be of slightly different design, for the CAA had a crew of civil engineers at the scene within 24 hours, testing and carefully checking every part of the bases for defects. The insulators on which the towers were mounted evidently could not stand the strains from the buffeting winds and actually exploded. Pieces of these insulators can be found up to 150 feet from the bases of the towers. At present the towers are only good to remind us of the terrific power of nature and the absolute destruction that can be caused by something we often take for granted: the wind.

House Washed Out to Sea.

During the southeast gale of Saturday, the cottage belonging to Mrs. B. F. W. Russell, situated at the head of Broad Creek on Smith's Point, was carried into the sea by the wash of heavy surf and soon afterwards went to pieces.

Residents of Madaket reported that the house, which was in the process of being removed to a safer location, had its temporary underpinning cut away by the action of the high, rolling surf and soon after 10:00 that evening went onto the beach. The surf battered it for a comparative short time when it was split into a dozen large pieces and floated away. The house contained much furniture and equipment which was all totally lost. Salvage operators managed to secure portions of the side-walls and roof further down the beach several hours later, but little else was saved.

NOVEMBER 15, 1947.

J. R. Parker Entertains Winter Club

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Besides being an author, humorist and contributor to the New Yorker magazine, James Reid Parker who has become a devoted resident of Nantucket, is an actor of no mean ability.

Mr. Parker's acting and entertaining ability was a delight to members of the Winter Club at its Fall meeting at the home of Richard J. Porter, host for the evening, Tuesday.

The versatile writer's contribution to the evening's entertainment was to put it simply, reading passages from Mark Twain's satirical, humorous and revealing 'Innocents Abroad.'

Actually, it was not that simple for Mr. Parker did much more than read some very highly amusing parts of the book. He fell into roles of the book's principals with a feeling, seasoned diction and a gusto that gave them life. Mr. Parker had almost an avid liking for Mark Twain and his works and after an hour and a half of reading from "Innocents Abroad" had imbued the audience with the same feeling if they had not already been so.

OCT. 31, 1947

Engagement Announced.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Marshall Barrett, of 34 Centre street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Elizabeth Barrett, to Henry J. Diotte, son of Mrs. Flora L. Diotte, of 15 Wyman Road, Braintree, Mass.

Miss Barrett, a graduate of Nantucket High School and Framingham State Teachers' College, is at present director of girls' physical education and girls' coach at Mansfield High School, Mansfield, Mass.

Mr. Diotte was graduated from Braintree High School, and served three years during World War II with the Army Engineers in the European Theatre of Operations. He is now employed by the New England Telephone Company.

There are no immediate wedding plans.

Jan. 24, 1948

Friends of Eben Hutchinson, Sr., of the Ocean House, will be glad to learn that he is making an excellent recovery from the fall which he suffered a few weeks ago. He is still at the Chelsea Memorial Hospital, where he will be a patient for some time while the fractured hip is healing.

Jan. 31, 1948

Seventy-Fifth Birthday.

Miss Helen C. McCleary celebrated her 75th birthday anniversary on Thursday of this week at the YWCA, 140 Clarendon street, Boston.

Early friends and schoolmates, as well as Radcliffe classmates and church-friends gathered in the library to bring their greetings and congratulations.

During the afternoon, Miss McCleary entertained her friends with her special hobby, "The Lost Art of Playing the Bones", accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Peter Terry.

About fifty guests were present to enjoy the birthday cake served with tea and coffee.

Feb. 21, 1948

BORN.

In this town, February 14, a daughter, Jessica, to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Young. Mrs. Young is the former Cynthia Nesmith, of Rye, N. Y. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert I. Nesmith, of Rye, and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey A. Young, of Nantucket.

In this town, March 9, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Allan McGarvey. Mrs. McGarvey is the former Shirley Swift, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Swift.

In this town, March 22, a daughter, Wendy June, to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Laurence.

In this town, April 5, a daughter, Lynne Cheryl, to Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Proctor (Dorothy Manter.)

Girl Scout Notes.

The Nantucket Girl Scout Association has planned to have their third Annual Silver Tea in the Unitarian Vestry on Wednesday, February 18, at 3:30 p. m. All parents and friends are cordially invited to attend and help support the work of girl scouting in the community. There will be an exhibit of handwork and a marionette show will be presented by Troop III, under the direction of Mrs. John Stackpole.

Troop I notes—Several girls of this troop who are working on "My Community" badges visited the home of Miss Grace Brown Gardner to learn about Nantucket's churches. They also went through the printing plant of the Inquirer and Mirror and watched the paper being printed.

On January 26 they were present at the setting up of the Massachusetts Blood Bank Unit. Dr. Kelly, of the staff explained the reasons for the collection of blood and about the different blood types.

We expect to have two layettes completed in time for Girl Scout Thinking Day, February 22.

In Arlington, Mass., Oct. 14, Emily Lewis, widow of the late David W. Lewis. Interment at Nantucket.

An Old New England Kitchen



This lovely kitchen of Ethel Raymond Lyon in her old Nantucket house at 16 Pleasant Street is an example of what a little planning will do to insure an attractive, homey kitchen.

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You can recapture all the charm and loveliness of the old New England kitchen with just a little planning. Remember that old kitchen — an old fireplace, mellowed pine walls, the old pine table and hand pump which brought water from the well, the hand braided rugs on the tile red floor and sunny windows?

Remember coming home from school into that beautiful, comfortable and attractive kitchen and finding the pot of ginger cookies in the old buttery? Have you memories of those pancakes on the cold winter mornings, the apple dumplings at lunch time and the strawberry shortcake you enjoyed in that sunny room during occasional parties with your little friends?

The loveliness and the atmosphere of this popular room of the old New England house plus all the efficiency and conveniences of the modern kitchen can be yours again with a minimum of effort.

Death of Mrs. Eldredge.

From Rutherford, N. J., Republican.

Funeral services for Mrs. Louise Jay Eldredge, 90, who died on February 17 at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Farnham, 241 Mountainway, Rutherford, are being held tonight (Thursday) at 8 o'clock at the John T. Collins Funeral Home, 19 Lincoln avenue, Rutherford. The Rev. Fred Masters Holloway will officiate. Burial will take place in Nantucket, Mass.

Mrs. Eldredge has made her home with the Farnhams for the past 10 years.

The deceased came from a long line of seafaring people and as the wife of Captain Wallace Eldredge, keeper of Wings Neck lighthouse on Cape Cod, she had the honor of sending the first boat through the Cape Cod Canal when it opened in 1914. Capt. Eldredge died in 1935 at their home in Point Independence, Mass., where they lived following his retirement from the lighthouse service.

In addition to Mrs. Farnham, Mrs. Eldredge is survived by another daughter, Mrs. Herbert Thomson, of Providence, R. I., four grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Feb. 28, 1948

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About fifty guests were present to enjoy the birthday cake served with tea and coffee.

Feb. 21

Mystery of Grounded Bird Solved For Island Youth

Mystery of why a limp black and white bird he found in the yard of his Milk street home Wednesday morning was unable to fly was solved for Sidney Conway by Miss Grace Brown Gardner who identified it as a dovekie—presumably blown over the Island by Tuesday night's strong winds.

Miss Gardner informed the Nantucket youth that dovekies are unable to take flight from land and must be released along the shore or they will die.

Taking her advice, he released the bird in the harbor and found to his surprise that the bird "went up almost like a rocket" from the water.

Miss Gardner recalled that this peculiarity of the dovekie caused consternation among Bostonians several Winters ago when a large flock was driven into the city by strong winds. Boston radio stations interrupted radio programs at 15 minute intervals with spot announcements, advising residents that unless the birds were carried to nearby shores for release, the city would be filled with dead dovekies.

According to the recently published book, "Birds of Nantucket," the dovekie is a common Winter resident along Nantucket shoals and may frequently be seen from land. It is a small bird about eight inches long, the upper part black, with small brown wings streaked with white, and white breast and belly. The motion of the wings is rapid with something of the action of a humming-bird and when the bird rises from the water, it shoots up swiftly.

Six Residents Listed in New 'Who's Who in America'

Six Nantucket residents are listed in the new 50th anniversary edition of "Who's Who in America," published for 1948-1949.

They are: John A. Davis, mining engineer; Everett U. Crosby, author and chairman of the Kenneth Taylor Art Galleries; Mary L. Davis (Mrs. John A.), writer; Robert W. Howard, author and editor; Bassett Jones, electrical engineer; and James Reid Parker, author.

Oldest Resident Of Old People's Home Is 91

Mrs. Helen F. Appleton Is Descendant Of Capt. Folger

Mrs. Helen Folger Appleton, widow of Robert Appleton and the oldest resident of the Old People's Home on Upper Main street, celebrated her 91st birthday Sunday.

In excellent health and spirits, Mrs. Appleton thoroughly enjoyed her birthday party held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Folger in Siasconset. Gaily she blew out the lighted candles on her birthday cake and opened the gifts at her place.

Mrs. Appleton is the granddaughter of Captain Isaiah Folger, Nantucket merchant mariner who piloted 24 men, women and children in the Schooner Exact from Portland, Ore. up Puget Sound to Alki Point to establish a new settlement, now the thriving city of Seattle. This historical event in November 1851 became the basis nearly 100 years later for Edna Ferber's recent novel "Great Son."

A committee from Seattle came to Nantucket several years in an attempt to purchase an oil painting of Captain Folger from his granddaughter. Mrs. Appleton, had, however, already presented the portrait to the Nantucket Historical Association.

Apr. 16, 1948

Apr. 2, 1948

Diotte—Barrett.

Miss Elizabeth Barrett chose a gown of frosted white organdy with lace mitts and a fingertip veil with a floral headdress and carried white roses for her marriage, on Saturday last, to Henry J. Diotte. The ceremony was performed at 10:00 a. m., at St. Mary's Church in Mansfield, by the Rev. Fr. Edward O'Brien.

Mrs. John Garrahan, of Bridgewater, was the matron-of-honor. She wore pink frosted organdy with matching mitts and carried yellow roses. The bridesmaids were the Misses Alice and Charlotte Jones, of Nantucket, cousins of the bride. They wore identical gowns of blue frosted organdy with matching mitts. Their bouquets were of pink carnations.

Miss Celeste Annese was the flower girl and Ronald Patrognani was the ring bearer. William Cormier was the best man for Diotte. Norman and Walter Diotte, brothers of the bridegroom, were the ushers.

A wedding breakfast was held at the Rose Garden Club in Mansfield for the immediate families and close friends.

Mrs. Diotte is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Marshall Barrett of Nantucket. She is a graduate of Nantucket High School, class of 1939. Since her graduation from Framingham State Teachers College in 1943 she has been the Girls' Physical Education Director at the Mansfield High School.

Mr. Diotte, son of Mrs. Flora Diotte of Braintree, attended high school in Braintree, where he was active in sports. He served overseas in World War II. He is now employed by the New England Tel. and Tel. Company, in Quincy.

After the twentieth of June, Mr. and Mrs. Diotte will make their home in Randolph, Mass., where they have purchased their own house.

Nantucket guests at the wedding, besides the bride's parents, included Mrs. Arthur J. Barrett and George E. Barrett, brother of the bride, who is in the Navy and stationed in Newport, R. I.

June 12

Clinton Thomas Macy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram W. Macy of 28 West Chester street, received the degree of Bachelor of Arts at Trinity College in Hartford, Conn., on Thursday last. He was one of 236 graduates, the largest class in the history of the college, more than 95 per cent. of whom were veterans of World War II. Mr. Macy served in the Army during the war and was in the European theatre of activities or some time.

June 26

Death of C. S. Proodian.

Residents of Nantucket were shocked to learn, on Saturday morning last, that Carekin S. Proodian had died in his sleep some time during the night. Apparently in good health, Mr. Proodian had been at his jewelry store the day before, as has been his custom for over forty years.

Carekin Stephen Proodian was born in Harput, Armenia, on June 26, 1883, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen P. Proodian. The family came to the United States many years ago, living first in Worcester, Mass., and then moving to Boston where the firm of S. P. Proodian and Sons, jewelers, engravers and watch repairers, was established.

Mr. Proodian first came to Nantucket in 1904, when he was connected with Jacob Abajian at his "Oriental Bazaar", 19 Centre street. He maintained his watch repair and jewelry store there, adding his optometric work in 1906, following his graduation from the South Bend (Indiana) College of Optics where he received the degree of Doctor of Optics.

In 1910 he opened his own store at 17 Center street, where he has been located ever since. For several years he had a store on Tremont street in Boston during the winter months, but he gave that up, staying in Nantucket until after Christmas each winter and then going to Hollywood, Fla., until spring.

On the third of March, 1923, Mr. Proodian married Miss Araxy Tegnazian, daughter of Mrs. Santooghad Tegnazian, in Cambridge. They purchased the former John B. Folger house on Gardner street, where they have made their home for several years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Proodian are naturalized citizens of the United States.

The deceased was a member of the Joseph Warren Lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Boston. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the First Congregational Church, the Rev. Claude Bond officiating. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery, where Masonic services were held.

Besides his widow, Mr. Proodian is survived by a brother, Leon, of Boston, who came to the island for the services. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tegnazian and daughters Grace and Helen, of Ridgefield, N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tegnazian, of Manhattan, N. Y., also came down for the services. The Misses Grace and Helen Tegnazian are remaining with their aunt at the family home on Gardner street.

July 24

Death of Alliston Greene In Worcester.

Word was received Thursday of the death of Alliston Greene, well-known to readers of The Inquirer and Mirror for his contributions in recent years of the very readable column which appeared from time to time under "Fragrant Memories". Mr. Greene had been in rather poor health for several months, being afflicted with heart trouble. He rallied for a few weeks and was hoping to recover his strength so that he could prepare another reminiscent column, which he realized would bring pleasure to others as well as himself.

Mr. Greene was born in Nantucket, eighty-two years ago, the son of Andrew Greene and Winifred (Coleman) Greene, and learned the printer's trade in the office of the Inquirer and Mirror at the same period as did the late William F. Macy and the late Charles T. Hall. The last of the quartet of boys who learned to set type together and who recalls with pleasure many of the escapades of the old Mirror office incident to the olden days, is Arthur C. Wyer, who is still keeping his head above water at Delhi, N. Y.

After many years of association with various branches of the printing industry, always maintaining his interests in the old Mirror and his boyhood home in Nantucket, he went to Boston where he was employed by different newspapers and in a job shop before going to Lyman School, Westboro. He was an instructor there for fifteen years, teaching printing, manual training and gymnastics.

Forty-five years ago he settled in the city of Worcester and became superintendent of the Davis Press and even with advancing years he continued to hold desk at the office, and held an active interest in the work of the company, especially in educational lines and school publications. He had been clerk of the corporation for twenty-seven years.

Shortly after going to Worcester he became interested in the School Arts Magazine, published especially for teachers and enjoying a worldwide circulation. He was first advertising manager and later became editor and liaison man between offices in Palo Alto, Calif., and Worcester where the magazine is printed.

He has been an active member of the First Baptist Church in Worcester and conducted the Cook Fellowship Class at the Church. He was looked upon by printers as "one of the last" of the old-timers, who received thorough training in every branch of the industry, making him able to step into any post from an editorial office position to working on a press. His hobbies were his vegetable and flower gardens at his home at 13 Merrick street.

His genial personality, his good nature, and his love for his boyhood home won and held for him friendships extending over a long period of years. Besides his widow, Mrs. Lorinda B. Greene, the deceased is survived by two daughters, Dr. Mildred Greene, an osteopathic physician, practising in Waltham, and Mrs. Luther D. Sparks, of Morganton, N. C.; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were to be held at the First Baptist Church in Worcester this Saturday morning, June 26, the Rev. Thomas Roy officiating. Interment will be at Westboro, Mass.

JUNE 26, 1948

William H. Tripp, Curator of the New Bedford Whaling Museum, who has been spending several days on the island as the guest of Miss Grace Brown Gardner on Milk street, has returned to New Bedford. Besides making his usual appearance at the annual meeting of the Nantucket Historical Association, Mr. Tripp went out to photograph the sulphur-bottom whale on the Miacomet shore and took measurements of the head and jaw bones. Mr. Tripp is a veteran of one whaling voyage and takes keen delight in personally investigating anything relating to whales and whaling. He is a member of the local historical society.

Aug. 7



ATTENTION, MR. WIMPLE!—Here is the jacket of a bird book that will give the watcher something to do. In "The Birds of Nantucket," by Ludlow Griscom and Edith V. Folger (Harvard University Press, \$3.25), the authors point out that the islands offer New England's best opportunity for original bird study. They urge bird watchers to concentrate on land birds.



Roger Young of Young's bicycle shop is a familiar figure riding around Nantucket astride this vehicle. He says he feels "up in the world" when he is on this old-timer. (Photo by Stuart Day, Nantucket)

Coming now to Nantucket itself, readers of the Mirror would probably be surprised if no mention was made of the "returned Veteran" (or should it be Veteraness?) who has made such a valuable place for herself in the life of the community. Grace Brown Gardner happens to be the daughter of that great Nantucketer whose newspaper, in my day, was the competitor of the Inquirer and Mirror—the Nantucket Journal.

Miss Grace Gardner would probably find excusable objection to the publication of several pleasantries which have found their way to and from our homes. The temptation to do so must be resisted, for there are several reasons for retaining her friendship. She, more than most others, has a natural as well as cultivated faculty for assembling historical data, arranging it in permanent and classified form, which, let us hope, will become an addition to the collections of the Nantucket Historical Society.

Without in the least disparaging the contributions of others, I must credit Grace Gardner with adding materially as well as mentally to the happiness of the author of these fragrant memories.

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Last summer I called upon a former classmate in Nantucket where she has always lived and added her mite to the cultural and spiritual life of the town. Previously she had written me a letter in which she went back to old school days, brought to mind by "fragrant memories" which she says she enjoys! (Thank you.)

She reminds me of the high school teachers during her four-year term (this class graduated in 1883)—Spinney, Russell, Hopkins, Blood, Clough, and, of course, Sarah C. Only six were in the class finally: Nellie Keane, Ida Russell, Annie Brock, Lizzie Hussey, Carrie Andrews and, last, but not least, Arthur Easton.

Her letter, like all the others, was filled with most interesting family "news" and reference to early events in our lives. In an earlier "memory" it was recorded that Lincoln Allen and this writer had a picnic in 'Sconset on a certain Fast Day, with two high school girls named Carrie. One of them was none other than the subject of this paragraph—Carrie (Andrews) Coffin.

Alliston Greene

Apr. 17, 1948

Death of Warren Parker.

Warren E. Parker, aged 79, a retired blacksmith, died after a long illness at the house of his daughter, Mrs. Wesley F. Rollins, in Wareham.

Mr. Parker was born in East Royalston. His family moved to Nantucket when he was a young boy. He married the late Emily Mitchell Pitman of Nantucket and was a past noble grand of Nantucket Lodge, I. O. O. F. He lived in Wareham many years. Only survivors are his daughter and a granddaughter.

The Rev. Franklyn Boardman of the Church of the Good Shepherd conducted a funeral service at two, Sunday afternoon. Burial was in the family lot in Center Cemetery.

Mar 1, 1948

Death of Frank H. Thurston.

Frank H. Thurston, one of the last of the genuine old-time minstrels of Nantucket, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Carll Appleton, on Tuesday last.

He had maintained his great love for music and minstrelsy of the olden days and showed a keen interest in that form of entertainment throughout his long life.

The deceased had been in good health up to about a year ago, but had gradually been afflicted with the infirmities of old age until he finally succumbed. He was in his 83rd year.

Frank Thurston was in himself a genuine entertainer and liked to join with the younger element in minstrelsy. He was the last of the members of the Momus Club, which gave a series of entertainments each winter many years ago. Frank was always ready and willing to contribute his talents and his interests in local minstrel shows and was especially happy when "calling" for the old-time square dances.

The deceased was a member of the Odd Fellows Fraternity and was a member of John B. Chace Engine Co. No. 4.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Carll Appleton and Mrs. George Studley; by two grandsons, Harold and Nathan Thurston, and a granddaughter, Mrs. Herbert Sandsbury, and by several great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Thursday morning, the Rev. Richard Strong officiating.

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The above photo was taken of the carcass of the whale as it was washed ashore near Mioxes. The thousands of persons who went out can readily identify the above picture, which shows the long lower jaw bone which was later removed by "Bunt" Mackay. The whale floated from Mioxes on Sunday night, and was thought to have gone out to sea, but was re-discovered on Tuesday on the beach to the west of Miacomet Pond. Many seagulls gathered about the whale as it lay in the water, three of which can be seen in the left center of the picture.

It Was a Whale of a Story But We Almost Forgot It.

Yes, believe it or not, The Inquirer and Mirror almost missed the boat on last week's whale story. It should have been the scoop of the week, the biggest story of the season, and yet if it had not been for the sharp eyes of Alfred Pearl, one of our delivery boys, it would not have appeared in our pages at all.

The reason for this, we admit, was that everyone thought that the other person had written it, and even the proofreaders took it for granted that one of the others had read it. The forms were made up, placed on the press and about 200 copies had been run off before Alfred, who was wearing a large badge stating that he was a "genius at work", came out with the shocking question "What have you got in the paper about the whale?"

The 200 papers without the story were carefully laid aside, and the

paper boys were delayed while a short item on the whale was written and inserted.

The sad part of the whole affair was that we cannot say that we did not know about the whale. We were at the scene on Tuesday night, and by Wednesday every member of the office force had visited Miacomet, some going out several times to "check".

We put pictures of the school of blackfish which came ashore at the jetties some years ago on the inside pages, comparing the scene to the stranded whale, and discussed it among ourselves for several days. Wouldn't there have been some comment about town if the issue had gotten out without the whale story, but with the pictures of the blackfish that came ashore 30 years ago!

Well, these things are bound to happen, even in the best regulated organizations. We have done it before and, probably, at some time in the future, will do it again.

July 24, 1948

Stranded Whale Attracted Many To The Miacomet Shore.

A dead whale which came ashore near the head of Miacomet Pond, late Monday afternoon, attracted many visitors to the beach and provided a considerable flurry of excitement. Cars and bicycles took the majority of sightseers to the scene, while taxis did a thriving business for several hours.

The whale, which had been dead for some time, was a sulphur bottom—a species of right whale—and was approximately 65 feet in length. A quantity of its baleen—whalebone which hangs from its upper jaw to form a fringe-like sieve for collecting its food—was cut away and many pieces showed themselves in the hands of small boys, coming to town with their prizes.

The appearance of the whale and attendant groups of people along the beach, was reminiscent of the olden days, when drift whales were captured and brought up on the beach through the utilization of the tides.

The chief interest, after the initial curiosity had worn away, was how it could be removed from the beach before the stench of its decaying remains become a nuisance.

Altogether it was an unusual sight and it is probable that the hundreds of people who had never seen a whale—either dead or alive—enjoyed the trip to the shore immensely.

On Monday morning of this week, it was reported to the police that the whale was gone, and a sigh of relief went up from the Town officials. Chief Mooney and Patrolman Wendell Howes drove out to where the whale had been, and could find no trace of the animal whatsoever.

Tuesday morning, we rented a plane at the airport and went up to cruise along the shore-line, to make sure that the whale really was gone. However, we found that it had moved up the beach to the westward, some mile and a half from its former location, and was then lying in the wash at a point approximately one-half a mile west of Miacomet pond. We reported to Chief Mooney that the animal was still with us, and the Chief gave the Board of Health the sad news that their problem had not been solved by the wind and waves removing the animal's body.

At the present time the Board's course of action is very vague, for since the whale is actually in the water it would have to be pulled onto the beach before it could be buried, and the body is believed to have decomposed too badly to tow it out to sea.

The only other whale to come ashore on the island in recent years was a 65-foot sulphurbottom whale, which came ashore on October 8, 1932, near Nobadeer. It floated off during the night, but the next morning was found at Maddequecham. The second night it floated off again and landed on 'Sconset beach. The third night it floated off and disappeared for good. It is unfortunate that the whale that landed last week did not move in the same way, for the disposal of the animal's body creates a serious problem.

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July 24

Enthusiastic Groups Greeted Hobby and Crafts Show.

The Neighbors' - Civic League Hobby and Crafts Show, held on Wednesday and Thursday of this week, was the most successful affair of this type that has yet been arranged on the island.

Staged at The Boathouse, on the end of Commercial Wharf, the show had an ideal setting, and the appreciation of the committee and exhibitors is acknowledged to Mr. and Mrs. Eben Hutchinson, of the Ocean House, who so graciously offered the use of the property.

The committee, headed by Secretary Joseph R. Burgess, had many industrious members, and with the co-operation of the exhibitors, the various articles were carefully arranged and displayed to excellent advantage throughout the two days and one night of the show.

Total proceeds realized from the show were in excess of \$500 and this amount goes into the treasury of the sponsoring Civic League.

Tea was served on the porch during the afternoon and evening, with the committee providing excellent food service. The porch commands a view of the entire harbor and shore, which was greatly enjoyed by both visitors and exhibitors.

There were so many outstanding exhibits that it would be unfair to select one or more as particularly attractive. From Nicky Carpenko's fine ship-model at one far corner to Mrs. Elizabeth Carret Woodward's collection of implements (hammer, screwdriver, etc.) as a handiwoman; from Harriett William's beautiful crochet work to Dr. Gilpatrick's display of his skill as a cabinet-maker; from the intricate designs of Mrs. Clifford Stiles' hooked rugs to the shell pictures of Mrs. George H. Yerkes, the show was a remarkable demonstration of the workmanship and pride which go into hobbies and allied crafts.

It was interesting to hear the many comments concerning the details so evident on every hand. Both the type of exhibit and the variety were in fact the outstanding characteristic of the show as a whole. It was interesting to observe that such skilled island craftsmen as Lincoln Ceely, Earl S. Ray and Wallace Long have hobbies closely allied to their trades. Mr. Ceely's reverse painting on glass for his mirrors; Mr. Ray's workmanship and design in his barometer, and Mr. Long's excellent paintings of two schooners, showed to good advantage.

The collection of mechanical banks exhibited by Richard M. Lederer, Jr., (as selected from his large collection) had a definite appeal, especially among the children. So popular did they become, that it was necessary to empty them several times during the show, and an avalanche of pennies went into the general fund.

Perhaps the most unusual hobby "on display" was that of Howard C. Barber—who exhibited a "barbershop quartet" in the persons of John S. Chapman, Claude Bond, Edouard Stackpole and himself. The four sang some old favorites, including two sea chanties, and made several appearances during the show. On Thursday, the "Barnacles" sang, with Dr. H. Brooks Walker taking his usual place as the "lead."

Nelson O. Dunham, one of the island's painting contractors, has several hobbies, but his display of cabinet work in his dressing table and mirrors showed mastery of that difficult hobby.

The collection of old documents by Richard Lederer, Sr., of Polpis and New York, contained a most unusual array of historic autographs. Taken from his extensive collection, this display featured documents and letters autographed by George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Francis Scott Key, Benjamin Franklin, Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Brigham Young, John Hancock, Gen. U. S. Grant, George Bernard Shaw, William Shirley and William Rotch—the latter the famous Nantucket Quaker merchant.

The interesting hobby of making model furniture and toys, as well as ivory carving, was that of Hugh K. MacDougall.

The cane seating of chairs was an allied hobby, and the work of David and Nancy Austin and Frank and Julia Crocker revealed high skill, as did the exhibit of Edward Backus' rush-seated chairs.

The "Nantucket Recorder Ensemble" was the name given by four summer residents who exhibited the instruments "the recorder", which is a flute-like reed instrument which had its origin two centuries ago. The ensemble consists of Mrs. Buell P. Mills, Mrs. W. H. Craig, Mrs. W. P. Constable, and Alexander E. Hoyle.

A fine display of hooked rugs was made through the entries of Mrs. William J. Blair, Mrs. E. H. Newhall, Mrs. William Reis, and Mrs. Gertrude Monaghan. These were hung about the walls in vantage spots, so the quality of the work could be shown to advantage.

That the re-finishing of old furniture, including some valuable antiques, is a hobby favored by numerous islanders was evidenced by the excellent examples on display. Miss Ellen Ramsdell, Mr. and Mrs. David Austin, Antone Sylvia, Mrs. Lawrence Mooney, C. L. Sibley, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Coffin displayed a variety of tables, chairs, stands, etc., which revealed patient work and fine results.

Gordon Turner, one of the island's radio enthusiasts who has a sending and receiving set, displayed some of his "Q. S. L." cards. These are those sent by operators contacting one another, and this display showed contacts from many parts of the country as well as from foreign nations.

Three cleverly executed models occupied places in the little hall by the door. The model of the Unitarian Church, made several years ago by Ning Der, young Chinese boy then residing in Nantucket, was admired, and many baseball fans were numbered among the many examining "Buddy" Mooney's detailed model of Fenway Park, completed this spring. Elmore Swain, the Nantucket contractor, displayed a model of a colonial cottage, similar to the type which he has built on Brant Point.

David Wood had an excellent display of his hobby in stencilling, including examples of restoring rare stenciling.

Seated in costume beside her extensive collection of articles "From My Family Attics," was Mrs. Howard Barber. The articles included 17th century apostolic spoons, Revolutionary War muster rolls, a sampler, a whale's tooth, etc. Close by, Mrs. N. B. Rogers showed a rare old quilt and old costumes.

W. J. Hedden, of Nantucket, had an unusual collection of old bells collected from all over the world. The bells were of varied shapes and tones and were shown to advantage.

Ruth Haviland Sutton, artist and lithographer, exhibited some of the unusual boxes she has collected.

There were a number of exhibits of basketry. Capt. Horace Norcross, oldest male Nantucketer, who is in his 89th year, showed two lightship baskets of his making. George H. Mackay, of Nantucket and Brookline, had several baskets of excellent construction and Jose Reyes had an exhibit which included his special type of weaving.

Miss Edith S. Mason showed some items from her collection of antiques. Gladys Emerson Cook exhibited a number of items from her interesting collection of early prints of cats and dogs. Martie Jenkins Post had on display a number of items from her collection of antique china figures.

Joseph and Ida Amrein, of the Nantucket Shop, displayed examples of the work of Nantucket silversmiths.

A collection of miniature dogs of all sizes and shapes, exhibited by Merle Turner Blackshaw, shared a part of the room where Miss Emily Hickey displayed puppets she had made to illustrate a scene from Hansel and Gretel, and where Mrs. David Lewis displayed chair seats in petit point after scenes from the Arabian Nights. Hooked rugs in designs from Chester Court were shown by Mrs. Gertrude Monaghan, and Harriett Lord showed some of her collection of old tiles.

Mrs. Helen Congdon had an interesting display of heraldry. Among the coats-of-arms she has drawn she showed those of Bartlett, Berrien, Glidden, Grimes, Macy and Wyer.

Mrs. Irene S. Kahn had some unusual oval trays on display. Fine examples of needle-point were shown by Mrs. Burnham N. Dell.

Assorted Nantucket jellies were a display by Mrs. James P. Coffin, and Elsie Gleason Sloan exhibited some old book-marks collected from American family bibles.

The handicraft of pottery was also a part of the show, with Mrs. Edmonds Putney exhibiting materials and tools as well as ceramics.

Mrs. Marion Sibley's two photographs of rare birds was an excellent sample of another type of hobby.

Bertha Fuller Sturgis exhibited Nantucket shells in unique arrangements. A collection of glass salts, including some Nantucket items, was shown by Miss Elizabeth Fulton.

Miss Mabel Clark exhibited an oil painting, and Howard Laundry had a design of the Old Mill on copper. Mrs. Estelle Coggins showed what could be done with bits of material, exhibiting a quilted coat and a hooked rug made from various pieces of cloth at a minimum of cost but with a maximum of effective use.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph R. Burgess had an excellent exhibit of Old Tole.

Marcia Graves Loring, interior decorator, showed some old designs in wallpaper which are being revived.

Morris Ernst, of Monomoy and New York, had some of his wooden tableware, carved by him in his hobby hours.

Miss Eleanor Manter, of Nantucket, displayed a large collection of buttons of many varieties.

Helene Dickinson's orientation of designs and stencils for trays was an attraction together with Mrs. Chatfield's design of the well-known Anglow Tweeds.

Dr. Gilpatrick's wood-working display had a table, stationery box and a Welsh dresser. Dr. "Gil" had cards describing the wood used, where he obtained it and other details which all made a most interesting exhibit.

Everett U. Crosby, whose hobbies have led to a number of valuable contributions to Nantucket historical knowledge, had a large show-case on hand, in which were displayed unusual items. The model of the ancient whaleship, made by William Meader in 1768, is perhaps the earliest Nantucket model known. Lightship baskets of long ago were shown, and a few examples of scrimshaw, among them being that carved by Frederick Myrick, for Capt. Prince Coffin, showing the whaler *Susan*—one of six known to be in existence. Also in the case were examples of the work of Nantucket silversmiths, of whom Mr. Crosby wrote in a book published a few years ago.

In full vantage spots on the wall, the crocheting artistry of Mrs. Sus-

an Crocker and Miss Harriett Williams, Nantucket sisters, were admired by everyone. Mrs. Harry Turner displayed a knitted bedspread which must have taken hours of painstaking work, and Mrs. George A. Folger showed some quilts a century old. Marion Sibley's free-hand decoration in old-time designs was in good company.

Mrs. Dorothea L. Cochran's hobby of collecting old French and Belgian pewter was displayed on the Welsh dresser made by Dr. Gilpatrick.

On the side, enclosed porch were exhibits of varied scope. Dr. Walter Boyd, who collects Nantucket items, had an 1897 town directory, a first (London) edition of de Crevecoeur's "Letters of An American Farmer," a first edition of the "Globe Mutiny" and a first edition of "Moby Dick" in a small glass cabinet.

Rev. William E. Gardner's display of "Searching and Scribbling" was a most attractive exhibit. He showed the manuscripts, galley proofs and some source materials which went into the making of his outstanding book "Three Bricks and Three Brothers."

Dr. Joseph Cochran had a collection of French medals from the 1st World War on display. Adjoining was Jonathan Swain's coin collection, and a stamp collection shown by Charles Flanagan. An exhibit of American Indian Arts and Crafts was shown.

Mrs. Charles Flanagan displayed some of the Eskimo Scrimshaw collected by her father, the late Eugene Perry.

An exhibit of block printing on curtain material was shown by Louise Emerson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Long had a few items here, including some rope beackets by Mr. Long and hooked rugs by Mrs. Long.

Nikita Carpenko's fine model of the cutter *Search*, now in the collection of Richard Adler, of Birmingham, Ala., shared a show case with Mr.

Carpenko's recent design of the famous Marine Corps emblem.

Mrs. George H. Keyes showed some skillful arrangements with shells to form a framed picture and a doll.

Mrs. E. H. Newhall's hooked rug, "A National Bouquet," attracted much attention, being designed from the flowers of all the states.

Mrs. Eben Hutchinson had a display of Cuban craftsmanship, including some skillful use of bone in designing ship models and other articles.

Horatio Wagner served as a night watchman during the two evenings of the show. He had a fine time chatting with friends when he came down in the afternoon and, armed with a pocketful of cigars, prepared for his night vigil.

Josephine Boyd, 10-year-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Walter Boyd, displayed some of her free-hand sketches of horses, all of which revealed a real talent and a fine hobby.

AUGUST 28, 1948.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Selleck, of 17 Prospect street, and Cambridge, Mass., are spending eighteen months in Finland as Commissioners under the American Friends Service Committee, with headquarters in Helsinki. They sailed on July 3rd and already have been twice to Lapland on tours of inspection of work camps and arranging for food, clothing and medical supplies for the long winter so soon to come. They have found the Finns a kindly, lovable people, making a heroic effort to rebuild their shattered lives and country.

Sept. 25, 1948

Death of Rev. E. W. Pond.

The Rev. Evarts Wilson Pond, former pastor of the First Congregational Church in Nantucket, died at his home on Milk street late Thursday afternoon. Dr. Pond has been in poor health for several years, but until recently had been able to enjoy automobile rides with Mrs. Pond.

Dr. Pond came to Nantucket in 1927, succeeding the Rev. Charles A. Ratcliffe. He was pastor of the Church until 1935 when he retired. Before coming to the island he had been pastor of a church in Deerfield, Mass., for six years.

Born in Platteville, Wisc., in 1869, he attended Phillips Andover Academy, and graduated from Dartmouth College. He studied for the ministry at Yale Divinity School, receiving his degree there. During the summers of 1913 and 1914 he did graduate work at Harvard University.

His first church was at Stoneham, Maine, where he organized and built the Congregational Church. From there he had parishes in Sheffield, Mass., Windsor Locks, Conn., and Dover, N. H. For several years thereafter he taught at Straight College in New Orleans, La., before returning to New Hampshire where he had a pastorate for five years in Raymond, before going to Deerfield.

Dr. Pond served for several years as secretary of the Nantucket Civic League.

Besides his widow, the former Effie Lake, of Nantucket, he is survived by two children of a former marriage, Mrs. Elsie Clune, of Los Angeles, California, and Kenneth Pond, of Longmeadow, Mass. He also leaves two sisters, the Misses Jean and Elizabeth Pond, of Bradford, Mass.

Funeral services will be held this (Saturday) afternoon at two o'clock from the family home on Milk street, Rev. Claude Bond officiating. Interment will be in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

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Flying Automobile Model And Inventor Visit Island

Nantucket residents were given a preview of things to come along that line when 38-year-old Robert Edison Fulton Jr. of Danbury Conn. landed his flying automobile at Memorial Airport this week.

In about five minutes, he removed the propellor, the tail, wings and fuselage. Then, presto! There was a four-wheel automobile ready to take him, his wife and three sons to town where they visited an aunt, Miss Elizabeth Fulton of Orange Street, a Summer resident.

The flying automobile — named Airphibian by its inventor — is the model which Mr. Fulton hopes to put into mass production at his Danbury factory, Continental, Inc. sometime this Fall.

The usefulness of the airphibian is undoubted. It will save the flyer considerable time in reaching his destination from an airport as well as taxi fares. At the present time, Mr. Fulton's flying automobile is built for two but its capacity is to be increased to four.

The beetle-like machine with its splayed wheels, blunt nose and curiously shaped stern as it rolled along Island streets led to considerable comment among spectators.

Inventing is something that comes naturally to Mr. Fulton although he was nearly sidetracked into the field of architecture.

Invents Lacquer Process

He invented a process for a lacquer which eliminated ruinous airbubbles on aluminum recording disks that he and others manufactured under the name of Audio Devices, Inc. Thousands of the records had been spoiled by the airbubbles.

It was difficulties encountered by a salesman of the firm in moving quickly around the country for orders that led Mr. Fulton into the aviation field. The salesman, A. C. Travis, Jr. a cousin, was learning to fly but very slowly because of inclement weather and other obstacles which held up instruction. And so Mr. Fulton invented the Aerostructure which permitted flying instruction on the ground.

The Aerostructure was the forerunner for the Gunairstructure which, at the suggestion of the Navy, he redesigned to instruct pilots in fixed aerial gunnery. He built 500 of them in Washington on a capital investment of \$15,000. The government paid \$6,000,000 for the lot but young Fulton poured back most of it in government taxes.

An adventurer as well as inventor, Mr. Fulton during a dinner conversation offered to circle the world by motorcycle and did. He motorcycled from England to Japan — boating across water when necessary — and wrote a book about the trip, "One Man Caravan." At the same time, he lectured on his experience which he illustrated with 40,000 feet of movie film.

DEATHS

Henry Coffin

Henry Coffin, long-time sheep raiser and farmer of Siasconset died at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital Wednesday morning following a short illness. He was 68.

Born in Siasconset, the son of Anna Swain Coffin and Levi Starbuck Coffin, Mr. Coffin attended local schools and was a member of the last class in academic courses to graduate from the Coffin School held at the Atheneum. He was a sheep raiser and farmer for more than 50 years, first with his father and later with his son Henry Coffin II. With his son, he maintained the Old 'Sconset Golf Course, adjoining his farm. He married the former Ann A. Mitchell, June 10, 1910, who survives him.

He was a member of the Srail Club in 'Sconset.

A brother of the late Louis Coffin, he leaves besides the widow two daughters, Mrs. Hugh MacDonald of Thornwood, N. Y. and Miss Anne Coffin of New York City; a son Henry II; a sister, Mrs. C. Warren Austin of Orange Street, Nantucket and three grandchildren, Thomas MacDonald, Henry III and Robert Coffin.

Services are to be held at 2 tomorrow afternoon at the Siasconset Chapel. Burial will be in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Oct. 8, 1948

J. B. Ashley, 3rd, is making an excellent recovery from his recent illness and has been able to enjoy an occasional automobile ride. On Sunday he made a trip to his cottage in Madaket and then home via the airport and 'Sconset.

Oct. 16, 1948

ATTENTION

Due to the recent sale of the building, The Mary Belle Shop of Hairdressing will have to go out of business on October 20th, after nineteen years at this location.

The entire contents of the shop will be for sale after that date, as we must vacate by November 1st. Tables, chairs, mirrors, 20-gallon Rudd hot water heater, Venetian blinds, draperies, Humphrey gas heater — all must be sacrificed for quick sale.

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The Hobby Shop announces that we hope to have a new location in the spring, but for the winter our stock will go into storage. Anyone who wishes the return of their property should now please notify us. Otherwise we will take good care of it for you with our own.

Miss Leighton

Sept. 25, 1948

Death of Lester Hull.

Lester Hull, a native of Nantucket who has been residing in Boston for several years, died suddenly Wednesday while on a visit to Nova Scotia.

The deceased was born in Nantucket seventy years ago, the son of Alvin and Amelia (Holmes) Hull. He was educated in Nantucket schools and married Miss Helen Ayers in 1905. Mrs. Hull died a number of years ago.

Lester Hull will be remembered for his many years as manager of the Union Store and later of the Corner Store. Of a genial personality, he made and held many friends. He was an ardent baseball fan and supported several local ball teams.

The deceased is survived by a daughter, Miss Helen Hull, of Nantucket, and a son, the Rev. Fr. Lester Lawrence Hull. He leaves one sister, Mrs. Charlotte Olcott. He also leaves three nieces, Miss Rita and Marjorie Hull and Mrs. Parker Gray, and one nephew, Howard W. Hull.

Mr. Hull married Miss Margaret McDougall as his second wife, who also survives him.

Oct. 16, 1948

Elihu Coleman House To Be Open To The Public.

Over the moors to old Sherburne will go those fortunate enough to be on Nantucket on Friday, September 3, when the doors of the Elihu Coleman house will be open for the benefit of the Nantucket Girl Scout Association. Mrs. Roger Dunham is chairman of this event, and Eleanor Coffin has the sale of tickets in 'Sconset.

Who could speak better on the back ground of this historical site than Elizabeth Hollister Frost, whose book "This Side of Land" was woven lovingly, with the old home as a setting? She says:

"The group of twisted trees known as the Thorn Lot partially protects from the curious gazer the only house left standing in the center of what was once Sherburne, the cradle of the Island, where the early settlers first entrenched themselves against the gales. It was raised in 1722 by Elihu Coleman, aged twenty-three, for his bride, Jemima Barnard. Elihu's maternal grandmother, the Quaker minister, Mary Starbuck, was "the great woman" of the settlement. Her steading, or house lot, Parliament House, was just to the westward at Capaum Harbour; his paternal grandmother, Joanna Folger, daughter of Peter, sister to Abiah Folger (mother of Benjamin Franklin) was born at the Folger Steading, northward, just over the way. (Where the Franklin Fountain now stands).

With this inheritance and environment it was not remarkable that young Elihu himself became a Quaker minister, and that, at thirty years old, he sent out to the world and to the Quaker meeting everywhere from his quiet dwelling on a far island the first successful Friends protest against slavery which the world paused to hear. His little pamphlet slowly circled the globe, making this simple "housewight" and his Sherburne dwelling famous to those everywhere who loved justice and were willing to raise their voices against "this practice of making slaves of men. For it appears to be so great an evil to me," says Elihu, "that for all the riches and glory of this world, I would not be guilty of so great a sin."

The Coleman family lived quietly at Sherburne for close to one hundred and fifty years. The other houses near them and the town buildings at No-bottom Pond (off Crooked Lane) were taken down, and were carried gradually to the Great Harbour when the Sachem rights were procured from the Indians, for the Little Harbour at Capaum filled in with sand. But this ancient house at the site of the first settlement of Sherburne still stands unaltered. Its picturesque slanting roof owns the moor for quite a stretch, and its lichened shingles and great chimney are a familiar sight to all visitors to the island who take their way, on the Madaket Road, westward to the sea.

Deserted or cherished, but never altered through the years after the Coleman family dream ended, the Elihu Coleman house was for a time a private museum. Annie Alden Folger and Rose Ring Forbes have owned it. ger and Rose Ring Forbes owned it. While deserted it was open to the weather and to the curiosity of Nantucket childhood. Among the children who peered into the windows was one, perhaps more thoughtful than the others, who lingered in the ten-foot chimney, noted the nest the swallows had made in the upper chamber, the view from the great chamber over the Smooth Hummocks to the sea, and marked it for her own. Years later this child, the novelist, Elizabeth Hollister Frost, finding she had a tale to tell of Sherburne, set the story in the abandoned house of her childhood. When she had worked on the novel "This Side of Land" a year, she and her architect husband, Walter Dobney Blair, bought the house on the commons. He restored it with loving care, while she moved her characters about her own house as though her childhood's dream had never been interrupted.

All who have read the poetical, earthy, pulsing lives of the characters in "This Side of Land" will recognize "Mantel Tree", "Grannie's crane bed", the "red resist curtains blowing inward from the seas" and even the old dishes with the children dancing, which the father brought back from whaling. Book and house grew together so that the illusion of truth is there.

Mrs. Blair has a delightful posey garden outside the old sheepfold which has now become her study. There visitors will see the original drawings by her brother-in-law, Pierre Daura, the famous Spanish illustrator, not only for "This Side of Land", but also for "The Wedding Ring" and "Mary and the Spinners", her latest novel.

The author, a true friend of Nantucket, has consented to open her house for the worthy cause of Scouting. She feels that this old inscription over a home in England expresses her sentiments:

"My door is open to my friends,
But if of these too few appear
Let him who to the name pretends
approach and find a welcome here."

She feels it would certainly have the approval of Elihu Coleman to open the door from whence the ringing words of freedom went out to the world. It was toward happier living and the development of the individual that his essay was addressed. The Girl Scout program, also, has this goal.

The Coleman house is beautifully kept and it is a rare privilege to visit it. In case of rain, the "open house" will be held the next sunny day.

Aug. 28, 1948

Girl Scout Notes.

On Friday, September 3rd, Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Blair very kindly opened their house for the benefit of the Girl Scout Association. Over 350 people enjoyed seeing the second oldest house on the island, built in 1722 by Elihu Coleman.

The following people were in very old costumes: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Barber, Mrs. Richard Strong, Mrs. Ernest Menges, Mrs. James R. Parker, Mrs. Irving Bartlett, Mrs. Stacy Knopf, Misses Virginia Hussey, Ellen Ramsdell, Shirley Yerxa and Linda Loring. Miss Grace Brown Gardner was there with her scrap books. Deborah Stackpole and Paula Dunham, in costume, showed how the children of long ago were dressed.

The committee in charge of this successful afternoon were headed by Mrs. Roger Dunham assisted by Mrs. John J. Gardner, Mrs. Byron Coggins, Mrs. John Stackpole, Mrs. Irving Bartlett, Mrs. Jose Reyes, and Mrs. Howard C. Barber.

350 Persons View Elihu Coleman House

Open house at the old Elihu Coleman home on Hawthorne Lane of Mrs. Elizabeth Hollister Frost, author and poet, for the benefit of the Nantucket Girl Scout Association attracted approximately 350 persons, Friday.

Guests were welcomed by persons wearing attractive 18th Century costumes. Those in the period costumes were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Barber, Mrs. James Reid Parker, Miss Linda Loring, Miss Shirley Yerxa, Mrs. Ernest H. Menges, Miss Ellen Ramsdell, Mrs. Stacy Knopf, Mrs. Irving T. Bartlett, Mrs. Richard Strong, Miss Deborah Stackpole, Miss Paula Dunham, and Miss Virginia Hussey.

Committee for the open house was comprised of Mrs. Roger Dunham, chairman; Mrs. Eleanor Coffin, Mrs. John A. Stackpole, Mrs. Byron Coggins, Mrs. Barber, Mrs. John J. Gardner 2d, Mrs. Bartlett, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. Knopf and Mrs. Jose Reis.

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In Defense of the Pink House.

We have heard so much criticism of the pink house that I am tempted to defend it. The color was chosen after a great deal of thought as the color that would best bring out the beauty of the old house. The rich pink with the light grey green trims (the color of the lichens on the trees) is in harmony we feel with the brick foundation and the terrace we have built with old brick. We have planned it as a background for flowers and we ask our critics to wait until there are roses climbing over it before they condemn us.

In the old days they were not copyists or we would not see the variety we do in the old houses which gives the interest and thrill to Nantucket architecture. In restoring many old homes in New England variety of color has been discovered beneath the white paint, notably salmons, pink and robin's egg blue.

In remodelling the old house on Milk Street we have tried to live up to our highest sense of beauty. Can this be against the interests of the old town or has it become a sin in Nantucket to use imagination?

Gertrude Monaghan

Robbins Laundry To Open Office Here.

Robbins Laundry, of Falmouth, which has been serving the residents of Nantucket winter and summer for the past 20 years through local agents, this week announced that it will an office on Nantucket.

The Laundry frankly admits that the service to Nantucket has not been the best, recently, and feels that opening an office of its own on the island will eliminate most of the troubles.

Robert Tyrer, who has been in the employ of Pease's Garage for the past few years, will serve as Sales Manager for Robbins, under the new set-up, and if present plans go through, an office which will incorporate a drive-in depot will be built by the company in the near future. For the present, Tyrer will handle all telephone calls from his home, and the laundry pick-up and delivery service will be made from Pease's Garage.

Mr. Robbins, head of the Laundry, visited Nantucket during the week past, to look over the local situation first-hand and make plans for the company's office. He stated that Nantucketers can expect and will get the best service from this date forward.

FOR SALE—28 Milk St. Original Colonial house, about 1800. Remodeled and interior decorated. For appointment, telephone 862R. je24-tf

Will Celebrate Golden Wedding.

Dr. and Mrs. William E. Gardner will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on Tuesday, September 14, in their home at 33 Orange street. They were married fifty years ago in an impressive ceremony at St. Paul's Church, the Rev. Edward C. Gardner, uncle of the groom, officiating.

Mrs. Gardner, the former Miss Mary W. Tracy, of Nantucket, still has her wedding gown, which was a brocaded white silk, with which she wore a veil and carried a bouquet of maidenhair fern.

The many friends of Dr. and Mrs. Gardner will join us in wishing them every happiness in celebrating their fiftieth anniversary.

Sept. 11, 1948

Were Guests of Honor at Anniversary Dinner.

Dr. and Mrs. Walter W. Boyd entertained Rev. and Mrs. William E. Gardner at a Golden Wedding anniversary dinner, on Tuesday evening, at their home, 100 Main street.

The table was decorated with the type of flowers in Mrs. Gardner's bouquet fifty years ago—sweetheart roses, baby's breath and maiden-hair fern.

Among the many gifts were two gold porringers, of Paul Revere design.

Sept. 18, 1948

Miss Rebecca Niemier

Miss Rebecca Niemier died in Taunton, Mass. yesterday at the age of 87 following a long illness.

Born in New York City, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Niemier, Miss Niemier has been coming to Quidnet for the past 45 Summers and three years ago made Nantucket her year around home.

She was a member of the First Congregational Church.

She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. William H. Norcross and Miss Minnie A. Niemier and a brother, F. W. Niemier, all of Nantucket.

Services are to be held from 74 Main Street and burial will be in Prospect Hill Cemetery but the date has not been set.

Dec. 3, 1948

Miss Alice Roberts, who has been enjoying a trip to Europe for the past several months, landed in New York on Thursday morning. The Queen Mary, on which Miss Roberts returned to the United States, was delayed twenty-four hours by the same hurricane which threatened the northeast coast last week. Miss Roberts was a member of the group headed by Archbishop Cushing who made a pilgrimage to Rome last month. She reached Nantucket Thursday afternoon, having flown to New Bedford via Northeast Airlines and then to Nantucket on a chartered plane.

Oct. 2, 1948

"Mysteries of the Atlantic Coast," by Edward R. Snow.

The fertile brain of Edward Rowe Snow, which has already produced such favorites as "A Pilgrim Returns to Cape Cod" and "Famous Lighthouses of New England", has brought forth still another book in the series. "Mysteries and Adventures Along the Atlantic Coast" has just been published by Dodd, Mead & Company.

Mr. Snow's new book is divided into five sections, each of which contains varied and interesting chapters. The first section, entitled "Travel," includes stories of Bermuda, Florida and Sable Island—the graveyard of the North Atlantic. "Incredible Stories" has particular interest for Nantucketers as Mr. Snow has devoted an entire chapter to Dr. Winslow and his heart which lies buried in the South Cemetery.

"Disasters at Sea", "Legends" and "Mysteries of the Atlantic" complete the five groups. A chapter on Cross Rip Lightship appears in the third group and traces the history of the various lighthouses stationed on Cross Rip Shoals until that unfortunate episode when the lightship broke adrift and was lost with her entire crew.

Mr. Snow has been at work for more than twenty years gathering data on the mysterious and fascinating events which appear in this book. In it he proves for all time that facts can be much stranger than fiction and that true stories are more interesting than inaccurate accounts which have been mistakenly believed from generations.

Numerous photographs and sketches include several pertaining to Nantucket.

Nov. 27, 1948

Death of Mrs. Annie B. Chase.

Mrs. Annie B. Chase, who had been ill for a number of years, passed away on Sunday, October 31, at the age of 75 years, 7 months and 21 days. She was born in Nantucket, March 10, 1873, the daughter of Charles G. and Sarah (Hunter) Coffin. Mrs. Chase received her education in Nantucket schools, and graduated from high school in June, 1891.

She married Warren B. Chase on August 20, 1893. Besides her husband, she leaves two sons, Benson C. Chase and James Franklin Chase, and five grandchildren. She is also survived by two brothers, Orin K. and Herbert Coffin, and a sister, Isabel (Coffin) Gibbs.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. David P. Foulk at the home of her son, Benson Chase, with whom Mrs. Chase and her husband were living at the time of her death. Interment was at Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Marion McCleave

Mrs. Marion McCleave, of Elbow Lane, Siasconset died at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital Wednesday where she has been a patient for several months. She was 80.

Born in Liverpool, England, Mrs. McCleave was a long time resident of Sconset and was the widow of Clinton McCleave.

She leaves a niece, Mrs. Lois Borthwick, of Worcester and a nephew, Norman H. McCleave of Nantucket. Services will be held at 2 tomorrow from the Lewis Funeral Home. Burial will be in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Annual Meeting of The Relief Association.

The seventy-fifth annual meeting of the Relief Association was held at the home of Mrs. Frank E. Lewis, Monday afternoon, January 10, at 3 o'clock. In the absence of the vice-president, Mrs. William C. Brock, Mrs. Rhoda W. Gardner, the vice-president, presided, and opened the meeting with the Lord's Prayer.

The annual reports of the secretary and treasurer were read and accepted.

Officers elected were:

President: Bessie E. Brock.

1st Vice President: Rhoda W. Gardner.

2nd Vice President: Clara L. Baker.

Secretary: Lydia S. Freeborn.

Treasurer: Rozelle C. Jones.

Board of Directors: Nancy S. Adams, Ethel C. Austin, Caroline S. Coffin, Marie M. Coffin, Hannah G. Hatch, Maria A. Holden, Elsie T. Jernegan, Charlotte G. King, Mary B. Lewis, Elizabeth G. MacDonald, Emma G. Smith, Bessie C. Wislow, and Virginia T. Wood.

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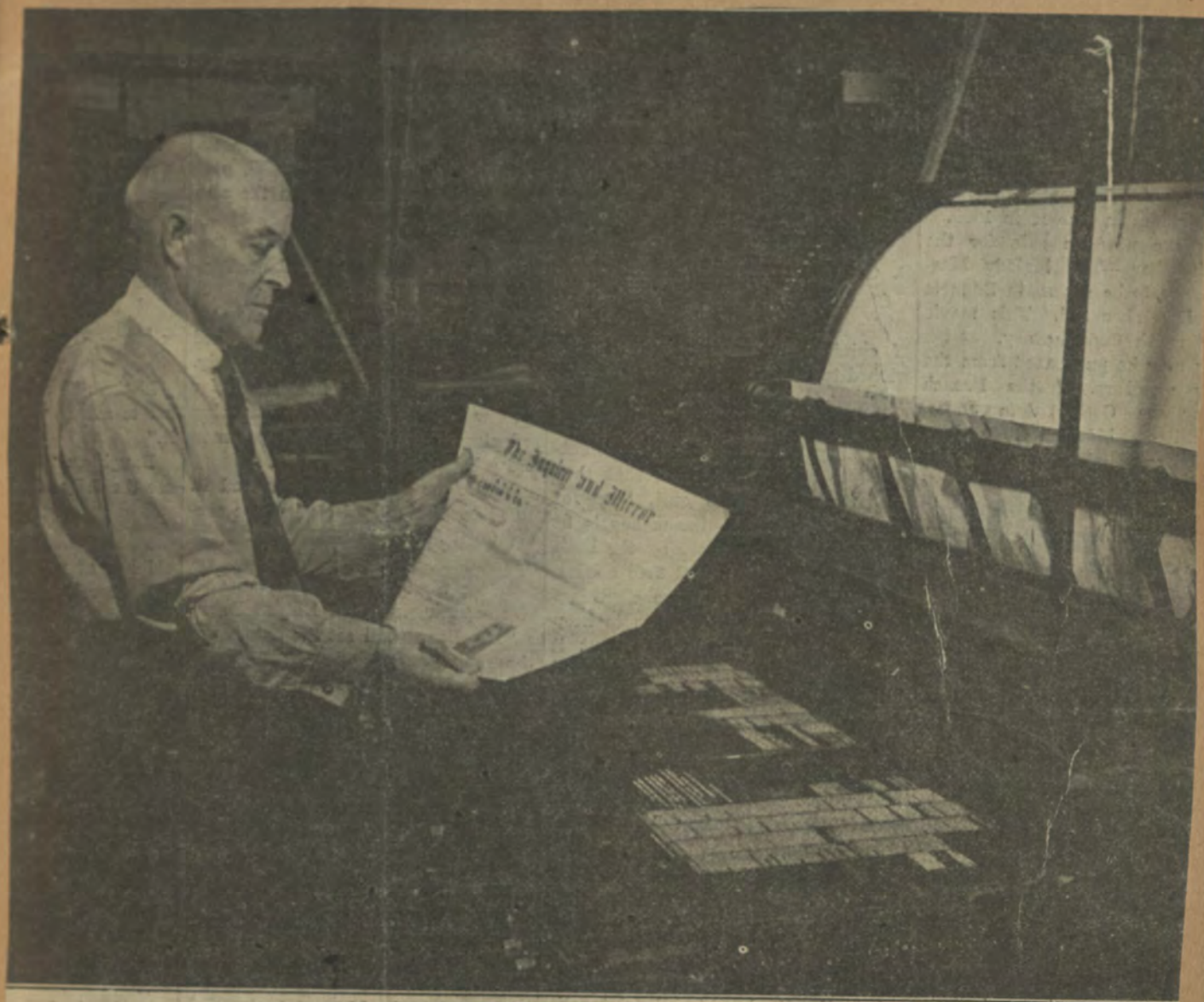
This being the 75th annual meeting, the Secretary read a brief history of the early beginnings of the Relief Association. Miss Grace Brown Gardner exhibited some newspaper articles from *The Inquirer and Mirror*, telling of the early activities of the Society.

One especially valuable item was a special edition of *The Inquirer and Mirror* devoted to entertainments given by the Relief to raise money to carry on its work.

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THE LATE HARRY B. TURNER, EDITOR OF "THE INQUIRER AND MIRROR" —1907 - 1948.

Death of Harry B. Turner, Island Editor For Forty-One Years.

Harry Baker Turner, the editor of *The Inquirer and Mirror* for over forty-one years, and one of the best known newspaper men in New England, died at his home on Chestnut street early Tuesday morning. He had been in ill health for several years, but had overcome physical impairment to be at his desk at the office until a few weeks before his passing. Death came to him in his 72nd year.

During his long career as editor, he worked unceasingly for the welfare of his island home. A student of its historic past, and a worker in the years when it grew to become one of

the outstanding summer resorts in the east, he was one who never failed to demonstrate his faith in its future. His forty-one years as an island editor established a record which few newspapermen have equalled.

Mr. Turner was born in Nantucket on Feb. 9, 1877, the son of Abner and Susan (Ray) Turner. He was educated in the schools of his native town, and at an early age evinced an interest in newspaper work. He launched his career in this field at the age of 15 when he entered the office of *The Inquirer and Mirror* as an apprentice printer.

From Sept. 12, 1892, until mid-September, 1895—a three-year period he served his long apprenticeship under the tutelage of the late Roland Bunker Hussey, the man whom he was one day to succeed as editor. At that time *The Inquirer and Mirror* was printed in a building which stood a short distance in the rear of the present A. & P. store in Monument Square. The print-shop had been especially constructed in 1890 to house a new Cranston drum-cylinder press, on which was printed (and still continues to be printed) "the largest newspaper page in America." When the print shop was again moved in 1900, Harry Turner, then assistant-editor, helped move the big press to its present location.

Following his 3-year apprenticeship, he tried his hand with a number of mainland newspapers. In 1896, he was in North Adams, Mass., for several months, following which he worked for the *Brockton Times* and, in 1898, served on the reportorial staff of the *Boston Journal*. He returned to Nantucket in the fall of that year, and was associated with *The Inquirer and Mirror* for the next half century.

When Roland B. Hussey relinquished the editorship of the paper in June, 1907, Mr. Turner took up those duties, being associated with the late Arthur H. Cook in the publishing of this Nantucket weekly. From 1907 to 1925, the partnership was continued, being dissolved when Mr. Cook's ill health forced his retirement.

In 1910, Mr. Turner published his "The Story of The Island Steamers," a volume which has become a standard reference work. Always a keen student of island history, he sought and secured many interesting life-sketches and reminiscences which he placed as a permanent record in the columns of his newspaper.

In 1914, he launched the first "Nantucket Calendar," which each year since has appeared with twelve interesting island scenes. It served as an excellent medium for his life-long hobby, photography, and the list of successive calendars is an invaluable record of Nantucket's streets and houses and landscapes. Another of his hobbies was philately, over which he spent many winter evenings.

Mr. Turner revived the idea of a condensed history of Nantucket when he issued the first of his "Argument Settlers," thirty-five years ago, and he continued the book through several editions.

On the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the launching of *The Inquirer*—in June, 1921—Mr. Turner issued a collection of historical data, pictures old and new and other material containing island lore, in a volume called "100 Years on Nantucket." This has now become a collector's item.

At the outbreak of the First World War, Mr. Turner was appointed a member of Nantucket Draft Board No. 43, on which he served for the duration of the war. In the second World War, he was appointed Chairman of the local Selective Service Board 172, and again performed the difficult duties during the war-period.

In his full life, embracing so much journalistic activity, he became associated with numerous organizations. He was a correspondent for the Associated Press from 1900 to 1936, and with the United Press from 1936 until his death.

A member of Union Lodge, F. & A. M., he did much to compile a complete history of the Lodge. He was a charter member of the Veteran Journalists and, at the time of his death was President of the organization. As a member of the National Editorial Board and the Massachusetts' Press Association, he served in various capacities.

The Nantucket Historical Association made him a Life Councillor a number of years ago. He was a Past Cornet of the Sons of the Revolution and a charter member of the local Thomas Turner Chapter, named for his Revolutionary ancestor.

He was a Vice President of the Pacific National Bank, a Director of the Nantucket Gas & Electric Company, and on the executive committee of the Nantucket Civic League. His years of deep interest in the "Sons and Daughters of Nantucket" were of invaluable aid in the success of the organization.

The deceased is survived by his wife, Mrs. Grace (Gordon) Turner, a daughter, Mrs. Merle Turner Blackshaw, a son, Gordon B. Turner, and a grandson, Kenneth Turner Blackshaw. He is also survived by a brother, C. Clifford Turner, of Nantucket, and a sister, Mrs. Elliot B. Hussey, of Rutherford, N. J.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 o'clock on Thursday afternoon from his late home at 3 Chestnut street. The pall-bearers were Edouard A. Stackpole, John A. Stackpole, Harold E. Dunham and George O. Stafford, members of the staff of *The Inquirer and Mirror*.

Honorary pall-bearers were Dr. Frank E. Lewis, of the Pacific National Bank, William L. Mather, of the Nantucket Gas & Electric Co., Jay H. Gibbs, of the Pacific Club, Gardner W. Russell, of Wellesley, J. Allen Backus, of the Sons of the Revolution, Frank H. Winter, Carter Rice & Co., of Boston, Paul A. Palm, of Belmont, and Gardner Campbell, of Wakefield, representing the Veteran Journalists.

Honorary pall-bearers unable to be present were Joshua B. Ashley, 3rd, President of the Pacific National Bank, Henry B. Coleman, of the Sons of the Revolution, and William C. Brock, of Union Lodge.

Rev. William E. Gardner, a life-long friend of the deceased, officiated at the services. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery, with Masonic rites.

Harry Turner, Editor, Dies In Nantucket

NANTUCKET, Nov. 9 — Funeral services for Harry Baker Turner, 71, president, editor and publisher of the Nantucket *Inquirer & Mirror*, Inc., will be held at 2 P. M. Thursday at his Chestnut street home, where he died today.

He became editor and owner of the 127-year-old weekly newspaper in 1907. He claimed the paper, with its 30-inch by 44-inch pages, was the "largest" newspaper in the country.

During the last 40 years, Mr. Turner wrote many books about Nantucket and served as correspondent for the Boston Herald, Boston Globe, United Press and the New York Herald Tribune.

He was vice president of the Pacific National Bank and a director of the Nantucket Gas & Electric Company.

He held membership in many organizations, including the National Editorial Association, the Massachusetts Press Association, the Veterans Journalists' Association, Sons and Daughters of Nantucket, the Nantucket Civic League and the Nantucket Historical Association.

He leaves his wife, Grace F.; a son, Gordon Baker Turner; a daughter, Mrs. Merle Blackshaw, both of Nantucket; a brother, Charles C. Turner; a sister, Mrs. Elliot B. Hussey of Rutherford, N. J., and one grandson.

Printer to Publisher

The passing of Harry Baker Turner marks the end of an era and closes another chapter in the remarkable history of the Nantucket Inquirer and Mirror, the 127-year-old weekly which he edited and published. In his seventy-one years, rising from printer to publisher of the famed island weekly, Harry Turner had lived from the horse-and-buggy age, beyond the years of the little railroad which used to run across his island, into the era of airplanes and atom bombs. Pinch hitting for Neal O'Hara in *The Traveler* on last July 2, he noted that 26,000 persons went to Nantucket by air last year. He was and should have been impressed, for the plane is transforming the life of his island even as the automobile transformed Cape Cod some years ago.

Harry Turner used to call his paper the "largest" in the country. It was, in size, for it measured 30 by 44 inches, quite a bit larger than a standard newspaper page. Notable for its chit-chat and personals, with which it brims over, *The Inquirer and Mirror* is read all over the world by faithful Nantucketers, native or adopted, who have strayed to distant points.

We will miss Harry Turner, not only as one of our correspondents, which he was for many years, but as a symbol of the vigorous old weekly journalism which has played so great a part in the growth of our country. *The Inquirer and Mirror* will carry on, the better for his long association with it.

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Notable Nantucketer Passes In Death of Charles A. Selden.

Charles A. Selden, one of Nantucket's most distinguished sons, and an outstanding figure in national journalism for half a century, passed away at the Nantucket Hospital early Wednesday evening. Although in failing health for the past few years, he was not bed-ridden until a few weeks ago. Despite his bodily infirmities, he was mentally keen until the last.

Charles A. Selden lived in the "golden age" of journalism, and nothing in this syndicated, news-bureau, and censored modern newspaper world may hope to duplicate the radio-less and chain-less newspaper world which he knew and in which he participated for half a century.

On one of the few times he spoke of his experiences before a Winter Club group, Mr. Selden's journalistic reminiscences might have been called "Foot-notes to History," for his chosen, specialized work brought him into intimate touch with notables. As he talked, with characteristic, unassuming manner, a veritable galaxy of world-famous figures were just as modestly introduced. From out the rich storehouse of his memory, figures almost legendary came alive; notables now relegated to history books were introduced as human beings; statesmen who controlled factors in world conditions were made more understandable in motive and method.

Born on Nantucket, October 10, 1870, he was the son of Charles and Lydia (Hodges) Selden. His grandfather on his maternal side was Capt. Sylvester Hodges, of Nantucket. He attended the Coffin School during the days of its academic success, and matriculated at Brown University, where he received his A. B. degree in 1893, and an honorary M. A. degree in 1933.

His long and memorable career in the field of journalism began while still a boy on Nantucket. He described his youthful experiences thus:

"When I was 8 or 10 I used to have the 'north route' for *The Inquirer and Mirror*, Nantucket's weekly newspaper. I delivered it. That was the beginning. At 14, I was a cub reporter on the same island weekly. At 14 I sent my first story to a New York newspaper, and when I received a check for \$2.98 in payment, I felt as many of my ancestors must have felt when they sailed home to Nantucket with a full cargo of sperm oil.

"During my college course, I was a member of the staff of the *Providence Journal*, and during summer vacations, which I spent with my mother in Nantucket, I was summer correspondent for several metropolitan newspapers.

"By the time the girl with whom I fell in love (while a newsboy on the north route), and to whom I insisted on being engaged from the age of 13 on, became my wife, I held the position of city editor on a newspaper in New England which died a lingering death. I packed up my family and went to New York city to be a reporter on the old *Dana Sun*."

Starting as a cub reporter, he became one of the *Sun's* ablest newsmen, particularly well-known for his humorous stories. He left the *Sun* to go to the *New York Evening Post* in 1904, and remained on the *Post* as a reporter and City Editor until 1916, when he became a traveling correspondent for the *New York Times Sunday Magazine*.

During this decade, he became particularly well-known for his keen and "human interest" reporting. His coverage of Woodrow Wilson's gubernatorial campaign in New Jersey was so well done that Mr. Wilson, upon becoming President in 1912, seriously considered making Mr. Selden his secretary. Another nationally-famed story was that of Grover Cleveland's funeral.

When World War I broke out, Mr. Selden was sent to France as Paris correspondent for the *New York Times*, and placed in charge of the Paris office. His coverage of the war and the vital issues at the time of the Versailles Treaty placed him in the forefront of his profession.

Returning to New York after the war, Mr. Selden was sent back to Paris in 1920, to be European correspondent for the *New York Evening Post*. The next year, he was sent on a World Tour as a special writer for the *Ladies' Home Journal*.

It was during this extensive tour that he met Mohandas Gandhi, and secured from the Indian leader one of the few significant interviews ever granted a journalist. Following this, he gathered material for an analysis of American missions in Asia, which he presented in a book "Are Missions a Failure."

Mr. Selden's acceptance of the post as London correspondent of the *New York Times* in 1927 marked the final phase of his enviable career. During the next decade, he maintained a consistent policy of news coverage and his reports were notable for their excellent grasp of world conditions.

Upon his retirement in 1936, the London Correspondents' Club, in which he served as President for several years, tendered him a testimonial dinner.

When Brown University conferred an honorary degree on Mr. Selden, in 1933, the following citation was read:

"Devoting himself without intermission to the significant vocation of journalism, serving various influential newspapers, especially in their foreign contacts, now London correspondent for the *New York Times*, helping by his spirit, his representations and interpretations of men and events toward better international understanding and good will, trusted by his comrades of the press and by those whose lives he knows far better than is given to the public at large to know."

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Returning to Nantucket, Mr. and Mrs. Selden made their home in the house on Liberty street, where he had lived as a boy, and which was built two centuries ago. During the past 12 years, many distinguished visitors to Nantucket have made a pilgrimage to the little home, which he delighted in calling "Seldens'-half." Although retired from active work, he maintained a constant interest in world affairs, as well as devoting much time to community interests.

He was twice elected to the School Committee, and was active in furthering the aims of The Winter Club, in which he was always a valued counsellor. Other island clubs in which he held membership were the Pacific Club, the Wharf Rats Club and the Nantucket Historical Association, in which latter organization he served as one of the Council. He was a member of the Unitarian Church.

During his active life he was a member of the Overseas Writers', the National Liberal Club, London, Le Circle Volney, Paris, the Cosmos Club, Washington, D. C., and the Town Hall Club, New York city.

Mr. Selden is survived by his wife, Mrs. Grace Savage Selden; a sister, Mrs. Arthur Wyer, Delhi, N. Y.; a son, John Charles Selden, of Collingsville, Conn.; a daughter, Mrs. Eva Selden Banks, of Plainfield, N. J.; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services will be held this (Saturday) afternoon at the Unitarian Church at 2:30 o'clock.

—E. A. S.

FEBRUARY 12, 1949.

In Nantucket, January 28, Nellie M. Mack, aged 83 years, 7 days. Interment in Nantucket.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hadwen Barney, of New Castle, Del., announce the birth of a second daughter, Marie Louise, on January 4, at the Hospital for the Women of Maryland, Baltimore. Mrs. Barney is the former Katherine Kennedy. Grandparents are Mrs. William H. Barney, of Orange street, Nantucket, and Col. Grafton S. Kennedy, U. S. A. (Ret.) and Mrs. Kennedy.

At Richardson House, Boston, Mass., Saturday, February 12, a third child and first son, John H. Wall III, to Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wall, Jr., of Saugus. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Ramsdell, of Nantucket, and Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wall, of Lynn.

Charles M. Lewis

Charles M. Lewis, a native of Nantucket, died last Friday in Taunton at the age of 71.

The son of Israel M. and Mary E. (Wright) Lewis, he was an undertaker with his father before the business was taken over by Edward B. Lewis, a cousin. He was a Mason.

He is survived by the widow, Mrs. Lucinda (Sylvia) Lewis of Nantucket, two sons, Albert Lewis of Taunton and George Lewis of Springfield, Vt. and two grandchildren.

Masonic services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Lewis Funeral Home and burial was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

March 35, 1949

March.

Wind-tossed clouds in a sun-streaked sky;
A blue pond in a golden setting of straw-colored reeds;
In the brown grass by the roadside,
Two little horned larks busily searching for seeds.
From a thicket where the rising sap Gives a reddish tinge to stem and branch,
The gay, rollicking song of a mocking bird—
And my winter-weary heart rejoices that spring is near.

Grace E. Hutaff.

Apr. 2, 1949

Will Observe Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. William Emerson Chadwick will observe the 50th anniversary of their marriage on next Tuesday at their home in Brock's Court.

Mr. and Mrs. Chadwick (Mary F. Brown) were married on June 7, 1899, in the house in which they are now living.

June 4, 1949

The Late Lydia Freeborn.

Miss Lydia S. Freeborn passed away at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital early Sunday morning, following an attack of coronary thrombosis.

She was born in Nantucket on June 18, 1880, the daughter of Millard F. and Mary Freeborn. She was a member of the last class to graduate from the Coffin School, in 1897.

During her life on Nantucket Miss Freeborn was always active in charitable organizations. She has been secretary of the Nantucket Relief Association for many years and, at one time, was an officer in the Union Benevolent Society. She was assistant matron of the Old People's Home, and was formerly the librarian at the Whaling Museum and the Maria Mitchell Library. She made her home with her sister, Mrs. Whittemore Gardner, at 108 Main street.

Funeral services were held at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon from the Lewis Funeral Parlor on Union street, the Rev. William E. Gardner conducting the services. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Miss Freeborn is survived by her sister, Mrs. Gardner, and by three nieces, Miss Dorothy Gardner, of Greenwich, Ct., Mrs. George MacDonald, of Nantucket, and Mrs. William Cooper, of Locust Valley, L. I.

Apr. 30, 1949

Death of James Monaghan.

In the ninety-fifth year of his life, James Monaghan died on April 3rd, 1949, at his Buck Hills Falls home in Pennsylvania. His name is familiar to two generations of attorneys who have seen the name "Monaghan" on the spines of ponderous volumes filling a shelf or more in every law library.

Editor and compiler of over fifty legal tomes, he was best known for his nineteen volumes of Supreme Court Reports and twenty-five volume Cumulative Annual Digest of Pennsylvania Law Reports. In addition, he edited two volumes of Chester County Reports and wrote a book on Appellate Practice. He was a charter member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association and the first editor of the Pennsylvania County Court Reports and Pennsylvania District Court Reports.

In recent years, the 95-year-old man, who remembered the overland wagon trains rumbling by his boyhood home in Pennsylvania, flew regularly to Nantucket Island, where he lived for twenty years in the "Greater Light," a summer home designed by his daughters from the old Holland barn on Howard street.

He is survived by his four children, Florence Jackson (Mrs. Herbert S. Thatcher) of Tryon, N. C., Gertrude and Hanna Darlington Monaghan, both of Buck Hill Falls, Pa., James Monaghan, III, of Springfield, Ill.; and a grandchild, Anne Thatcher, of Tryon, N. C.

Apr. 9, 1949

Will Observe Golden Wedding.

On May 8, Mother's Day, Mr. and Mrs. Elliot B. Hussey of Rutherford N. J., will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Hussey were married here in Nantucket fifty years ago.

A Fiftieth Anniversary Tea is being planned for their parents by Mr. and Mrs. Raymond R. Hooper and Mr. and Mrs. Elliot Atherton Hussey at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hooper, 15 Winslow Road, Rutherford, from four to seven o'clock on May 8.

Mrs. Hussey is the former Mabel Turner, daughter of the late Abner and Susan Turner of Nantucket. Mr. Hussey is the son of the late Roland B. and Arietta Hussey, of Nantucket.

Apr. 30, 1949

Miss Lydia S. Freeborn

Miss Lydia S. Freeborn, Island librarian, died unexpectedly at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital Sunday noon at the age of 68.

Born on Nantucket, the daughter of Mary (Wilbar) and Millard Freeborn, Miss Freeborn was a graduate of the Coffin School, class of 1897 and was a former librarian of the Whaling Museum and the Maria Mitchell Library. She was active in the Nantucket Relief Association and was an officer in the organization for many years. She was assistant matron at the Old People's Home up until two years ago, corresponding secretary for some time of the Maria Mitchell Association and with its nature department last Summer.

Beside being a member of the Relief Association and Maria Mitchell Association, Miss Freeborn belonged to the Union Benevolent Society, the Coffin School Association, the Historical Society and the Unitarian Church.

Survivors are a sister, Mrs. Whittemore Gardner, with whom she made her home; three nieces, Mrs. William Cooper of Locust Valley, Long Island, N. Y.; Miss Dorothy Gardner of Greenwich, Conn. and Mrs. George MacDonald of Nantucket; and one grandniece and two grand nephews.

Services were conducted by Dr. William E. Gardner at the Lewis Funeral Home Wednesday afternoon and burial was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Apr. 29, 1949

School Nurse For 19 Years.

Mrs. Marion Sevrens, who has been a patient at the Nantucket Hospital for several weeks past, is recovering from the first serious illness which has kept her from her duties as the School Nurse for a period of more than two or three days.

During the past nineteen years Mrs. Sevrens has been the School Nurse, ministering in countless ways to the bumps, scratches and bruises of hundreds of youngsters of all ages, and being always the cheerful and helpful friend and advisor to young and old. The youthful charges who misses her, and the grown-ups who were once her charges, all wish her a speedy recovery.

Apr. 9, 1949

Mr. and Mrs. Frederic H. Tabor, of New Bedford, have been spending a few days on the island this week. Mr. Tabor is President of the Old Dartmouth Historical Society, of New Bedford.

Apr. 23, 1949

Death of C. Clifford Turner.

Charles Clifford Turner died at his home on North Liberty street early Wednesday morning after an illness of several years. Mr. Turner, who was born in Nantucket on October 13, 1878, was the son of Abner and Susie Turner of Nantucket.

He attended Nantucket schools, following which for many years he was engaged in the slaughtering business. He was appointed Inspector of Animals for the Town of Nantucket in 1910, a position which he held until January, 1946, when he retired because of ill health.

On October 18, 1905, he married Miss Margaret McHale, of Nantucket, who survives him. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. Elliot B. Hussey, of Rutherford, N. J., and several nieces and nephews.

Of a quiet nature, Mr. Turner took little part in community affairs, but he was always interested in the island's progress and kept in close touch with local affairs until within a few days of his passing. He had a circle of devoted friends who always enjoyed his companionship, and when his long illness confined him to his home, they continued to drop in for a pleasant visit.

Funeral services were held at his late residence Thursday afternoon, the Rev. Gordon C. Thompson officiating.

Interment was in the New North Cemetery. The pall bearers were Albert A. Fee, F. Stuart Chadwick, George Hamblin, Jr., and Eugene C. Brooks.

REWARD — Man's German-made bicycle missing from 7 Milk st. Blue color, brown saddle. License plates for Pasadena, Calif., and Woodmount, Canada. Tel 898. 1t*

Aug. 20, 1949

NOTICE!

An extremely dry season with a corresponding increase in the demand for water on our lawns and gardens makes necessary the request that water for hose or sprinkler be used with care and consideration.

It has been the practice, under normal conditions, to allow a generous use of water but with the present deficiency in rainfall and without knowing how long the drouth may continue, it becomes necessary to restrict its use to not more than ONE HOUR DAILY, the amount for which you are charged.

The use of hose should be discontinued immediately upon the sounding of an alarm for fire and the running of water through hose or sprinkler at night, between 9:00 p. m. and 6:00 a. m. is not permitted.

Wannacomet Water Co.

Annie M. Marden.

Mrs. Annie M. Marden, widow of the late Willard B. Marden, passed away at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital on Saturday, August 13, after a week's illness.

Mrs. Marden, the former Annie M. Greyer, was born in Nantucket on April 3, 1873, the daughter of Carl G. and Marie B. Greyer, and graduated from Nantucket High School at the age of fifteen. In 1893 she married Mr. Marden, who was a plumbing contractor and at one time a Sewer Commissioner and a Slasconset Water Commissioner.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Edward R. Butler and Mrs. Charles Clark Coffin, and by one grandson, Arthur E. Butler, all of Nantucket.

Funeral services were conducted on Monday afternoon from her late residence, 8 Milk street, by the Rev. William P. Horton, minister of the Unitarian Church. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

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ATTENTION!

Our commons and pines are very dry and the danger of Fire is great. I am asking the public, both Citizens and Visitors, to be very careful of matches, cigarettes and cigars. Do not throw them out of your cars. There will be no permits issued for fires in the open, including beach fires, until this dry spell is over. Fires in incinerators are included, also. Please be careful.

(Chap. 148. Sec., 54 G. L.) "Whoever drops or throws from any vehicle while the same is upon a public or private way running along or near forest land, or, except as permitted by law, drops, throws, deposits or otherwise places in or upon forest land, any lighted cigarette, cigar, match, live ashes or other flaming or glowing substance or any substance or thing which in and of itself is likely to cause a fire, shall be punished by a fine of not more than twenty-five dollars."

ARCHIBALD CARTWRIGHT,

Chief of Fire Department and Forest Warden.

Island Pinelands Swept By Fire of Major Proportions.

What developed into the worst out-of-town fire in twenty years broke out shortly after 1:00 p. m. Sunday afternoon in the pines just off the Fairgrounds road only a mile and a half from the town.

For more than eight hours, the fire—sweeping fiercely through the pines and underbrush—raged out of control. The forest and bushes, as dry as tinder from the long drought, served as ideal fuel for the flames which roared unchecked through an area of approximately 1300 hundred acres before it was brought under control by wearied bands of fire-fighters of all ages.

Describing a huge half-circle, the fire swept southeast from the Fairgrounds Road, threatening houses in the vicinity, spread into the white pines of the State Forest, jumped the Old South Road in three places—being a wall of flame as it leaped the gully below Hinsdale; went up the road on both sides towards the old Fish farm, thence curving eastward into the pine grove, to eventually arrive at the State road and the Airport road. It followed the valley to roar across the State Road and, sweeping past the tar pit camp took a northeast course to finally burn its way into the commons toward the Sauls Hills area—where it was checked at midnight.

But the burned area contained a number of incipient fires, which kept breaking out, requiring constant patrolling and various calls upon the Fire Department and volunteers. On Tuesday afternoon, eight separate

fires broke out, in some places a mile apart. Chief Cartwright, taking no chances, immediately had an emergency alarm of seven blows sounded on the fire horn, and the volunteers hastily assembled on the Square and in front of the central station were taken to the various scenes of the blazes. A hard fight was required to subdue the flames in several places, especially at the State highway. The Young home on the Old South Road was again threatened.

Scattered showers on Monday failed to bring any relief to the parched trees and vegetation, and the night patrols were called upon to check a number of blazes. Next morning, the department sent a pumper to wet down a large patch of mealy plum and bayberry in the Saul Hills area.

The inevitable happened. The pine needles became ignited; the flames not only spread to the nearby bushes but—in one puff of smoke—leaped into the trees. The couple tried to beat it out but the entire area was a tinder box. Mrs. Tillstrand ran to the home of Parker W. Gray and told of the fire. Mr. Gray called the Fire Department and a pumper was immediately dispatched to the scene. A few minutes later, a second piece of apparatus was called.

The wind was light at this time, from the northwest, and although the trees and grass were dry and caught fire readily, the men very nearly had the blaze under control at this point. However, a shift of wind to the southwest sent the flames roaring unchecked across the Old South Road, traveling a distance of over two miles.

The dense volume of smoke billowing into the aid attracted hundreds of spectators. Mill Hill was literally thronged with people; Atlantic avenue and Sparks avenue were lined with cars. The veterans who took over traffic duties as part of the Fire and Police Patrol work, kept the stream of cars diverted from the fire areas, so that Polpis Road soon became an artery containing a long line of moving traffic.

That such a conflagration should have been caused through the carelessness of a visitor to the island is the unfortunate truth, but how anyone residing in the east could not have been aware of the extensive drought is strange. The party responsible had not been on the island long when his thoughtlessness touched off the blaze. But it is still unexplainable how anyone could have selected such a place of potential fire menace as the scene for a picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Tillstrand, of New York City, had come to Nantucket to spend a week. Going out along the Fairgrounds Road, they selected a spot in the pines just off the road a short distance beyond the property of Parker W. Gray, but on the opposite side of the road. Here, in a little clearing, matted with pine needles, a charcoal stove was lighted preparatory to cooking a steak.

The homes of Ruppert Warren and Mr. and Mrs. Roger Young, on Old South Road, were threatened by the blaze, and most of the furniture was removed from the Young home to save it from the flames. Although both homes were in the direct line of the fire, neither was harmed, although the burned area extends to within approximately 100 feet of Mr. Warren's house.



Photo by Dick Marshall

AIR VIEW SHOWS FIRE THREATENING TO SWEEP THROUGH PINES TO THE AIRPORT.

From the air, one was able to get a clear idea of the nature of the extensive fire of Sunday, July 24, 1949. Off the left edge of this splendid photo the fire originated in the pines on the Fair Grounds road, spread east-southeast, threatening houses, until it jumped the Old South Road at the State Forest line. Its advance on the Airport was checked by the fire-fighters aided by the shifting wind. Describing a rude half-circle, it burned its way through Hinsdale to the State Road, where it leaped the tarred highway and spread northeast into the scrub growth and heath, where it was stopped.

The work of the 'Sconset fire crew with its pumper was of considerable value at this point. Deputy Chief Ernest Coffin and his men responded as soon as the smoke grew large in the sky. The crew was composed of Kenneth Coffin, John Santos, Kenneth Eldridge and Victor Reed. Working the pumper judiciously (it being the only one on the island at the time which could pump while under way) the 'Sconseters worked hard to check the flames threatening the Warren house and hen yards.

About 4 p. m. the fire had come very near to the Nantucket Airport, and was raging on both sides of Old South Road and the Siasconset Road. At this time Fire Chief Cartwright declared the fire to be out of control, and through the local police and others, requested Airport Manager Jean Cook to telephone Otis Field for aid. Manager Cook asked Otis Field to send down planes equipped with facilities for dropping chemicals on the flames from the air.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation of the many services rendered during the latest island disaster which threatened our home.

To the Fire Department, Volunteers, Night Patrol and the children who have kept vigilance and fought the fire during the week, we are grateful.

Cynthia and Roger Young.
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Mrs. Sibley's Kodachrome Slides of Nantucket Greatly Enjoyed.

One of the most popular spots in Nantucket Town on Thursday evening, August 11th, was the Maria Mitchell Library on Vestal street. Although there wasn't much fanfare about it in advance, word got around (as word does on our lovely Island) that Mrs. C. L. Sibley had graciously offered to show her kodachrome slides of Nantucket wild flowers and private gardens.

Those who had been privileged to see the exquisite examples of Mrs. Sibley's camera artistry arrived early and long before eight o'clock there was standing room only. Extra chairs were brought in, a few of the audience found a place to sit on the broad window-sills, and still others were content to stand. But before the evening was over some thirty-five or forty people had to be turned away. On an evening when many other activities and diversions were scheduled this pilgrimage to Vestal Street was a well deserved tribute to Mrs. Sibley and her beautiful Nantucket pictures in color.

From the first showings of the wild roses, Scotch broom, pink mallows and other native flowers ... to the final gorgeous sunset on the shore, the audience was enthralled with the pictures, which were enhanced by a descriptive talk given by Miss Grace Wyatt, Director of the Natural Science Dept. of the Maria Mitchell Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Sibley also answered many questions, and offered many informal explanations of where and when the various flowers and landscapes were photographed.

And while some of the audience were more familiar than others with the horticultural aspects, it was not necessary to know the botanical names of the plants to appreciate their beauty. Novices like the writer were completely happy viewing the gorgeous blossoms and lovely Nantucket gardens, even though they possessed little or no knowledge concerning the habits of growth of the wide variety of plants.

What few people realized was the time and talent involved in getting these pictures. It takes only a few seconds to study a bright vista of the moors in autumn... or a cluster of snow-drops growing beside a Nantucket doorstep in February. But tak-

ing the photographs themselves is another matter. Mrs. Sibley spends many hours, often many days, not only seeking out her subject, but catching it at just the right moment when the light is best, and just the right season of the year when the blooms are at their height.

Composition, balance, color, background and innumerable other factors have to be considered. Only an artist can achieve the results which were received so enthusiastically at the Maria Mitchell Library, and which have been enjoyed on so many special occasions by the many friends of the Sibleys.

—J. M.

AUG. 20, 1949

Resolution Adopted In Memory of The Late Lydia Freeborn.

At a meeting of The Nantucket Relief Association held on Monday, July 18, 1949, the following Resolutions were passed:

Resolutions

Whereas, that in the death of Miss Lydia Freeborn, The Relief Association has lost a faithful Secretary of many years and the inspiration of her devoted interest in the work of the Society,

Resolved, that we, the officers and members of the Association who feel her loss keenly and miss her helpful advice at our meetings, do hereby express our grief at her passing and our gratitude for her long years of service.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be placed upon our records and a copy sent to her bereaved relatives with our sincere sympathy, and that a copy be spread upon the pages of The Inquirer and Mirror.

Clara L. Baker,
for The Relief Association.

Will Be Soloists This Sunday at The Congregational Church.

The soloists at the Congregational Church next Sunday morning, August 28, will be Olive Appleton Newcombe, soprano, and her husband, Harry Newcombe. Both have appeared in Symphony Hall in Oratorios with the Handel and Haydn Society and most of the choral and orchestral societies throughout the east and middle west. Mr. Newcombe is soloist at the Universalist Church in Lynn, Mass.

Mrs. Newcombe will sing "My Redeemer and My Lord", by Dudley Buck; Mr. Newcombe will sing, as a baritone solo, "The Pilgrim's Song", by Tchaikowsky, and they will sing as a duet, "In Heavenly Love Abiding", by Pontius.

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RUTH HAVILAND SUTTON

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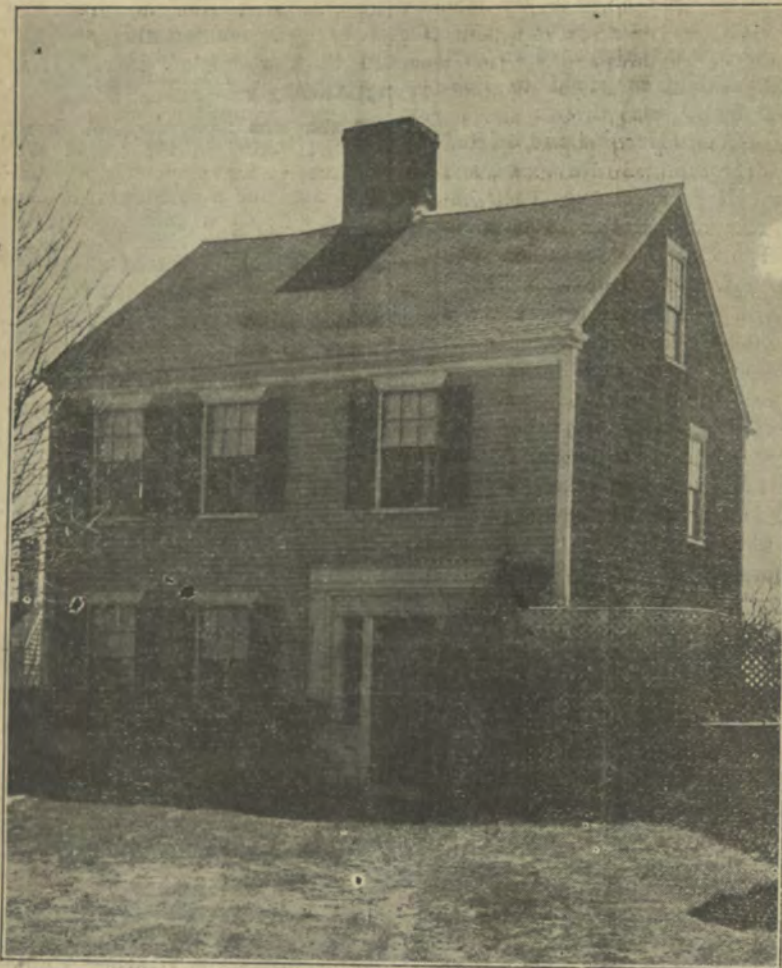
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New Citizens

HUMPHREY—A daughter, Susan Elizabeth to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Humphrey (Mary Chapel) in Evanston, Ill., September 28. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. Kay Humphrey of Winnetka, Ill. and Mr. and Mrs. James E. Chapel of Nantucket.

Sept. 23



The property at No. 60 Fair Street has been sold by Mrs. Bertram L. Affleck, of Nantucket, to Mr. and Mrs. Marshall T. Miltimore, of Washington, D. C. Mr. and Mrs. Miltimore are now permanent residents of Nantucket.

This sale was made through Elias J. Lyon & Co., Realtors.

Death of Charles S. Collins.

Charles S. Collins, aged 73, died suddenly on Saturday, Sept. 24, while shopping at the New Bedford Public Market. Mr. Collins was the husband of Mrs. Laura (Bridgford) Collins, of 68 Foster street, New Bedford.

An auditor for the New Bedford, Woods Hole, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket Steamship Authority, Mr. Collins has been in the employ of the island line since 1902, except for 16 years in textile mills in New Bedford. He had served in the Nantucket office of the line, at Oak Bluffs, the New Bedford terminal and afloat.

Mr. Collins was born in Nantucket, where he graduated from high school in 1896. He moved to New Bedford

forty years ago. For 11 years he was employed in the clerical department of the Manomet Mill and for 5 years as bookkeeper for the Pemaquid Mill.

A member of Trinity Methodist Church, Mr. Collins was a past master of Star of the East Lodge, A. F. and A. M., and a past patron of New Bedford Chapter 49, O. E. S.

He leaves, besides his widow, a son, John S. Collins, of Dennis, and a grandson, Charles H. Collins, of Fairhaven. Burial was in Rural Cemetery.

FOR SALE—28 Milk st. Original Nantucket house about 1820. Remodeled and interior decorated. 4 bedrooms and two baths. Pine paneled dining room, opening on terrace. Play room and garage. Tel. 862-R. 1t*

Conner—Ceely.

At a quiet ceremony attended only by relatives and close friends, Miss Beatrice Ceely, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Ceely, Sr., became the bride of Frederick Reginald Conner, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Conner of Malden, on Saturday, October 1. The service was held in St. Paul's Chapel, the Rev. Bradford Johnson, rector of the church, officiating.

The bride wore a navy blue wool gabardine suit with navy accessories and carried a bouquet of white carnations, pom poms and sweet peas. She was given in marriage by her father.

Miss Sadie McLean, of Nantucket, was maid of honor and wore a light navy suit with gray accessories and a corsage of pink roses.

Robert Conner was best man for his brother.

Following the wedding a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents at 20 Milk street, where about fifty guests were present. After the reception Mr. and Mrs. Conner chartered a plane to Boston for a wedding trip.

Upon their return they will make their home at 10 India street.

The bride is a graduate of Nantucket High School, class of 1948, and has been employed at Buttner's Store since her graduation.

Mr. Conner attended Malden High School before entering the U. S. Coast Guard service. Until July of this year he was stationed at the U. S. C. G. Loran Station in Siasconset. He has since been employed at the Straight Wharf Auto Service.

Mrs. Marion Sevens entered the Barnstable County Sanatorium on Monday for a series of treatments. The attractive folder, containing the names of the people contributing to the fund raised for her, is being forwarded to her in Pocasset. Over \$800 was raised toward the fund, a small tribute compared to the value of her services to the community during the past years.

Couple Wed on Nantucket



—Hilda Hibben Photo

A recent Nantucket wedding party is shown following the ceremony. Left to right are Miss Therese Farland of Oak Bluffs, maid of honor, William Almeida of Nantucket, best man, Mrs. John F. Keating of Nantucket,

the former Jean Terry Lowell, and the bridegroom, John F. Keating of Nantucket. The bride is a graduate of St. Luke's School of Nursing, New Bedford. Mr. and Mrs. Keating are residing at 82 Orange Street, Nantucket.

Apr. 11, 1949

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Youngster Stricken With Polio On Trip

Miss Anita Stackpole, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Stackpole of West Chester Street and a High School Sophomore is hospitalized at Haynes Memorial Hospital in Boston, a victim of polio.

Dr. George A. Folger, town physician, said it was the first polio case in Nantucket that he can remember since he first came here in 1915. He declared that was the only polio case on the Island, halting rumors that there were others.

Miss Stackpole was stricken while on a motor trip with her family and was flown back to Nantucket by her mother. Dr. H. Brooks Walker diagnosed her illness. Her right leg from the hip down is affected but is showing improvement at Haynes where she was flown Sunday.

Oct. 7, 1949

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
NANTUCKET, SS.

PROBATE COURT

To all persons interested in the estate of Marion A. McCleave and to the Treasurer and Receiver General of the Commonwealth.

Whereas Roy E. Sanguinetti as public administrator has filed his petition for instructions, alleging that said Marion A. McCleave delivered to the petitioner a bank book evidencing a deposit of a sum of money in the Nantucket Institution for Savings, with instructions to deliver said bank book to Norman H. McCleave and Lois M. Borthwick, the nephew and niece of her deceased husband, Clinton McCleave, at once, that the petitioner immediately informed said Norman H. McCleave and Lois M. Borthwick that he had received said bank book for them and that he did not deliver said bank book to said persons before the death of said intestate, and praying that the Court will instruct him as to his duty in respect to said deposit.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Nantucket before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 15th day of September, 1949, the return day of this citation.

Witness, George M. Poland, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this 12th day of August, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.

John J. Gardner, 2d, Register.
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Sept. 3

William Hosier Barrett

William Hosier Barrett, retired tinsmith, died at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital following an illness of several weeks. He was 79.

Born on Nantucket, the son of Elizabeth (Chase) and Josiah Fitch Barrett, Mr. Barrett was a tinsmith associated with the late C. W. Austin and later, until retirement 15 years ago, kept a place of business on Straight Wharf in the building now occupied by the Straight Wharf Theatre. He is remembered as fiddler in his own orchestra, which played for square dancing at the No. 4's and social affairs at the Atheneum. He was married to the late Emma Harps Barrett.

Mr. Barrett was a member of the Royal Arch Chapter, the order of the Eastern Star and the J. B. Chace Relief Association, Engine Company, N. 4.

He is survived by a daughter, Miss Marjorie Barrett of New York City and a sister, Miss Anna E. C. Barrett of Siasconset.

Services were held by Dr. William Gardner at the residence 25 India Street yesterday afternoon. A Masonic service was held at the grave at Prospect Hill Cemetery. Pallbearers were William C. Brock, Albert G. Brock, Herbert Gibbs and William R. Waine.

Oct. 2, 1949

Friends of Miss Helen C. McCleave will regret to learn that she has had a second fall down a marble staircase, resulting in a fractured left shoulder and an injured left knee. She will probably be under treatment for several weeks at the Faulkner Hospital in Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Oct. 1, 1949

In Evanston, Ill., Sept. 28, a daughter, Susan Elizabeth, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kay Humphrey (Mary Chapel). The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. Kay Humphrey, of Winnetka, Ill., and Mr. and Mrs. James E. Chapel, of Nantucket.

Oct. 1, 1949

In Nantucket, October 21, a 4th child, 3rd daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Lawrence (Barbara Slater). Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Slater, of White Plains, N. Y., and Mrs. J. M. Lawrence, of Nantucket.

Mrs. Alfred F. Shorrocks and Mrs. George Sykes are sailing from Boston next Friday, October 28, on the S. S. Newfoundland to spend the winter in England. Mrs. Shorrocks will be in Sussex and Mrs. Sykes in Lancashire for the winter months. They are planning to return to the United States on the 14th of June.

Oct. 23, 1949

In Nantucket, October 9, a daughter, Deborah Gardner, to Mr. and Mrs. Warren L. Whalley (Priscilla G. Edgerton). Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Whalley, of Fairhaven, and Mr. and Mrs. Lewis S. Edgerton, of Nantucket. The great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Lee Edgerton, of Fulton, N. Y., and Mrs. John F. Whalley, of Sacramento, Cal.

New Citizens

JOHNSON—A son, their third, Phillips Bradford to the Rev. and Mrs. Bradford Johnson (Dorothy Fitz Gerald) 12 Pine Street, October 27. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Fitz Gerald of Winthrop, Mass. and Mrs. Edward D. Johnson of Annapolis, Md.

In Nantucket, September 25, a daughter, Virginia, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Diotte (Elizabeth Barrett) of Braintree and Nantucket. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. A. Marshall Barrett of Nantucket, and Mrs. Flora Diotte, of Braintree.

Oct. 1

Death of Mrs. Annie F. Royal.

Mrs. Annie F. Royal, aged 78 years, passed away at her home on Liberty street on Sunday, January 15, after a lingering illness. She was the wife of Leon A. Royal.

She is survived by three sons, Walter J. and Leon M. Royal, of Nantucket, and Herbert F. Royal, of Detroit, Mich.; by three grandchildren, Miss Joan G. Royal and Allen Royal, of Nantucket, and Herbert F. Royal, Jr., of Syracuse, N. Y., and by two great-grandchildren, in addition to her husband. She was a member of Sherburne Chapter, O. E. S.

Funeral services were conducted on Wednesday afternoon from the home of Leon M. Royal, on Centre street, Rev. Ernst Fredrikson and Rev. Gordon C. Thompson, officiating. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Jan. 21, 1950



The property at No. 13 Lily Street has been sold by Miss Mary L. Terrien, of Bryn Mawr, Pa., to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Wilson Evans, of Palm Beach, Fla. Mr. Evans is a well known Construction contractor in Palm Beach, and Mrs. Evans under the name of Emilie Keyes is a newspaper woman and columnist with the Palm Beach "Post-Times."

This sale was made through Elias J. Lyon & Co.

Jan. 7, 1950

Alice Gardner Murdock.

Mrs. Alice Gardner Murdock, a native of Nantucket, died in Indiana, Penn., Tuesday, January 31, after a lingering illness.

Mrs. Murdock was born in Nantucket, the daughter of George Henry and Caroline Gardner. She spent her early life on her father's farm, the western one of the two Gardner farms on Hummock Pond Road.

After graduation from Nantucket High School, she attended Bridge-water Normal School. Upon completion of her course there she taught school for a short time.

She married Frank Fuller Murdock, who was the first principal of the North Adams Normal School. Since his death, she has made her home with her daughter in Indiana, Penn.

Surviving her are two children, Miss Dorothy Murdock, of Indiana, Penn., and Edwin Murdock, U. S. N., two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Feb. 4, 1950

Death of Mrs. Voorneveld.

Mrs. William Voorneveld passed away on Saturday, Dec. 24, after a lingering illness. She had been at her home on Centre street until Friday, when she was taken to the Nantucket Cottage Hospital.

Mrs. Voorneveld was a native of Cambridge, Mass., but had been a resident of Nantucket for many years. She helped her husband conduct his business as a florist, and became known to a legion of friends, both islanders and summer visitors.

Funeral services were conducted on Tuesday afternoon from the residence of her son, William, Jr., on Starbuck Court. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Survivors are a daughter, Mrs. William T. Cowing, of Lexington, Mass., and two sons, Herman Voorneveld and William Voorneveld, Jr.

Dec. 31, 1949

B O R N.

In Devon, Conn., Dec. 11, a first child, Jeffrey, to Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Huyser.

In Nantucket, Dec. 13, twin girls, Suzanne Marie and Julianne Louise, to Mr. and Mrs. John Keating (Jean Lowell). Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Earl T. Lowell and Mrs. Lawrence Ayers, of Nantucket.

1949

Mrs. E. Starbuck Spinney is spending the winter with her daughter in Sherman Oaks, Calif. She left New York on November 2 for California, travelling on Trans-World Airlines.

Nov. 5, 1949

MARRIED.

In Guilford, Conn., December 4, Mrs. Mary Buchanan Lawrence, of Nantucket, and David Parmelee, of Guilford, Conn. They will return to Nantucket, December 15.

1949

Death of Mrs. Harry Gordon, Jr.

Mrs. Margaret Louise Gordon, wife of Harry Gordon, Jr., of Nantucket, passed away at her home in Quaise on Wednesday, January 18, after a long illness, at the age of 47.

She was born in Nantucket on December 2, 1902, the daughter of the late Robert and Lottie Mack. She attended the Nantucket schools, graduating from Nantucket High School with the class of 1921. She was a member of St. Paul's Church in Nantucket, Sherburne Chapter, O. E. S., and the Rebekahs.

Besides her husband, she is survived by a brother, Robert Mack, and a sister, Miss Doris Mack, both of Nantucket.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon by the Rev. Bradford Johnson, rector of St. Paul's Church, from her home on the Polpis Road. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Jan. 21, 1950

Old Structure to be Renovated.

The property at the corner of Milk street and Quaker Road (formerly Saratoga street) is to be renovated by its owner, James K. Glidden. The main portion of the structure was at one time part of the "Big Shop," an historic boat-builders' shop, which on one occasion was utilized for a meeting place by William Lloyd Garrison, and his anti-slavery supporters, and during that evening featured the first speech by the afterwards famous negro orator, Frederick Douglass.

The "Big Shop" was originally owned by George and Reuben Coffin and stood 100 yards north of Milk on the west side of what is now called Quaker Road but was originally known as Grave Street.

Feb. 7, 1950

Island Resident Takes Own Life

Wilmer Francis Rowley, 45, was found dead, a bullet wound in his right temple, at his home Tuesday on Upper Vestal Street where he lived alone and Medical Examiner George A. Folger gave a verdict of suicide.

The body was found by the victim's father, M. Stanley Rowley and Patrolman Wendell Howes who was called and forced entry into the house whose windows and doors were locked. A few minutes earlier, Mr. Rowley had gone to his son's home and was unable to gain entrance. Through a window, he saw his son lying on the floor and called police. Police found near the victim a revolver which Mr. Rowley identified as his property.

Police said that the victim, whose body was frozen, apparently had been dead for several days. His father said he last saw his son alive last Friday.

A native of Nantucket, the deceased had been employed as a gardner and at various other jobs.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rowley; two sisters, Mrs. Norman LaFountaine and Mrs. Leslie LaFountaine, all of Nantucket and a brother, Horace B. Rowley, of Boston.

Services were held at the Lewis Funeral Home. Burial was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

March 3, 1900

Death of Miss Maude Stovell.

The death of Miss Maude Este Stovell on Wednesday afternoon came as a shock to everyone on Nantucket. Miss Stovell, who had been downtown marketing that morning as usual, died of a heart attack at her home on Fair street.

Miss Stovell was born April 23, 1880, in California, the daughter of the late Alfred and Elizabeth Este Stovell. In her early childhood the family moved to Philadelphia, where she lived until the early 1920's when she came to Nantucket and purchased the house on Fair street which she has made famous the world over as "The Woodbox". A trained dietician, Miss Stovell established herself as one of the best cooks on the island, preparing the meals herself for her many guests as well as supervising the rest of the house and still finding time to be a most gracious hostess.

Originally Miss Stovell owned only "The Woodbox" proper at 29 Fair street, but she later acquired the adjoining house at 31 Fair street which she made into several attractive apartments. The charming atmosphere of "The Woodbox" was carried over to the apartments and the people who have occupied them during the past twenty years have considered themselves most fortunate to be part of her household. Miss Stovell and "The Woodbox" have been synonymous for years and her many friends have been deeply saddened by her untimely death.

She is survived by a brother, William Howell Stovell, of East Orange, N. J., and by several cousins.

Funeral services will be conducted Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock at St. Paul's Church, in Nantucket, of which she was a member. Reverend Bradford Johnson will officiate. Interment will be in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Six-Day Old Baby Dies

William Edmund Cooper, Jr., a son born to Mr. and Mrs. William E. Cooper of Locust Valley, Long Island, N. Y., died six days after birth at the North County Community Hospital in Glen Cove, Long Island. Mrs. Cooper is the former Miss Nancy Gardner, daughter of Mrs. Whittemore Gardner of Nantucket.

Feb. 17, 1950

Grass Fire Threatened Houses.

The fire department was called out on Wednesday afternoon to subdue a grass fire which was burning briskly in the fields between Milk street extension and Upper Vestal street. The fire, originating just to the west of Stanley Rowley's, swept quickly toward this house and the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Indio. Prompt action by the crew of the one piece of apparatus sent to the scene, quickly checked the spread of the flames. The cause of the fire is as yet undetermined.

March 1950

Death of Lincoln J. Ceely— a Well-Known Islander.

Early Tuesday morning, Lincoln J. Ceely passed away at his home on New Mill street. Although his health had been failing of late, his general condition was not impaired and he was still active. Death came to him in his eighty-fourth year.

He was the caretaker of Nantucket's town clock for more than four decades, and the big time-piece, installed in 1881, owes its remarkably regular performance to the care and expert repair which he performed.

Lincoln Ceely was a Nantucketer well-known to many summer residents and visitors. His shop on Vestal street was a rendezvous for neighbors and friends for half a century, and, during the summer months, it was an attraction in itself, where hundreds visited, as many stopping to chat and see his work as to buy.

As a young man, Mr. Ceely went into business on Main street, opening a men's clothing store. But his inherent love for working with fine woods and old furniture induced him to take up his life-long trade as a cabinet-maker.

His shop was the former cooper-shop of his ancestor Thomas Starbuck, on Vestal Street. Capt. Elias Ceely had married Dinah, the daughter of Thomas, whose house still remains a few yards to the south on Milk street.

This time-aged building and Lincoln Ceely found a common heritage. Within its ancient walls he built a remarkable number of desks, inlaid with varied woods, chairs, bureaus and secretaries. He repaired hundreds of antiques from island homes, and his knowledge often restored a broken dust-covered relic to a handsome and useful piece of furniture.

He had a similar knack with old clocks and many examples of his art in reproducing old clock-cases are valued by his customers. He revived the lost art of painting in reverse on glass on clock-cases and on mirror-tops, and turned out some unusual types.

The making of weather-vanes was another of his successful projects, the most popular being his "sailor-boy," which became a familiar sight all through the town.

He was a member of J. B. Chace Engine Co., No. 4.

The end of life's voyage came to Lincoln Ceely in the homestead where he was born, on New Mill street. The funeral services were held from this home at 2 p. m., Thursday afternoon. Burial was in Prospect Hill cemetery.

The deceased is survived by his widow, Mrs. Dorcas E. Ceely, a son, Oscar Ceely, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

March 25, 1950

Engagement Announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard W. McLean, of 2 Copper Lane, Nantucket, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sadie Elizabeth, to Richard James Whelden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Whelden, of Madaket.

A summer wedding is planned.

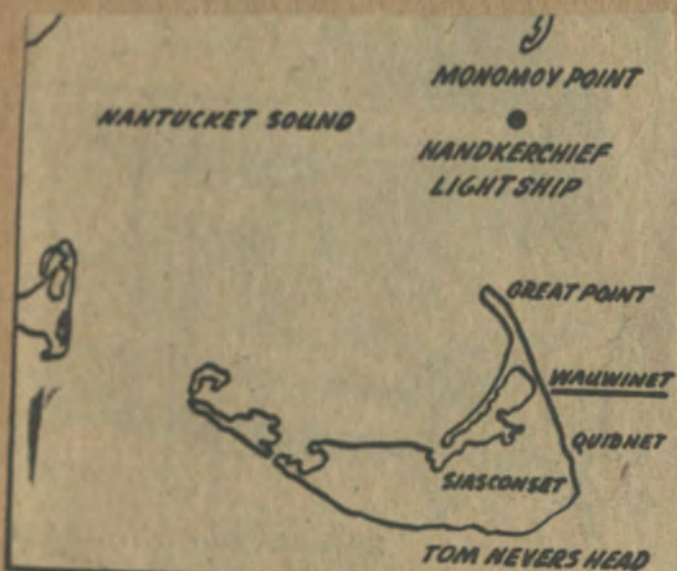
March 25, 1950

In Nantucket, March 1, 1950, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Granville Cranston (Barbara Geronimo) of Nantucket. Grandparents are Mrs. Catherine Cranston of Nantucket, and Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Geronimo, of Worcester. The young lady has been named Catherine Marie.

March 4, 1950



LOST WITH ALL HANDS—Scalloper William Landry, which foundered yesterday off Cape Cod.



WHERE WRECKAGE OF SCALLOPER WAS FOUND
—Debris washed ashore on the northeast side of Nantucket at Wauwinet (underscored), was identified as being part of the William Landry, which foundered in storm yesterday.

GLOBE—APRIL 9, 1950

Death of Mrs. Anne Robb.

Mrs. Anne Robb, of 38 Liberty street, died suddenly Saturday afternoon, April 8, at the Hotel Wentworth, New York city. Mrs. Robb, who was on her way home to Nantucket after spending several months with her daughter in Louisville, Ky., was found sitting in a chair in her hotel bedroom where she had been reading a newspaper.

Mrs. Robb was born in Wilmington, Del., June 25, 1882, and first came to Nantucket in 1919 when she and her husband, the late Egleson Robb, spent the summer on the island. Since that time they were regular summer residents and, after Mr. Robb's death, Mrs. Robb spent most of her time here. A few years ago she built a large home on Liberty street, although she spent the summer months at her boathouse on Commercial Wharf.

A year ago Mrs. Robb took a trip around the world, spending the winter months visiting out-of-the-way places in China, India and Africa as well as the more common ports of call. It was a trip she had long anticipated and which she thoroughly enjoyed, getting almost equal pleasure afterwards in telling her many friends of her experiences.

Funeral services were held at St. Paul's Church, of which she was a member, Tuesday afternoon, April 11, the Rev. Bradford Johnson officiating. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Robb is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Nancy Humphrey, of Louisville, Ky., and by three grandchildren, Anne, Alexander and Martha.

Apr. 15, 1950

DIED

In Norton, Mass., March 26, 1950, Ella (Mitchell) Paddock, wife of Herbert E. Paddock, a native of Nantucket, aged 71 years, 4 months, 26 days.

In New Bedford, Mass., March 27, 1950, Captain Charles Leighton, of Edgartown, aged 54 years.

In Baltimore, Md., March 27, 1950, Adeline S. (Gibbs) Penrose, widow of the late Charles B. Penrose and mother of Gibbs Penrose, aged 83 years.

At the Cumberland Hospital, in Cumberland Hill, R. I., March 28, Rev. Frederic W. Manning, pastor of the Congregational Church in Nantucket from 1902-1912. Interment at Andover, Mass. (Born at Andover, June 26, 1862.)

In Nantucket, March 28, Joshua B. Ashley, III, aged 63 years, 7 months, 3 days. Interment in New Bedford.

In Nantucket, March 29, Mable Winslow, aged 76 years, 7 months, 28 days.

Early Morning Fire Guttied "The Crossways" on the Cliff.

A fire which was discovered about 5:30 this (Saturday) morning practically destroyed the summer home of Mrs. Frank Baldwin—"The Crossways"—on the Cliff. The origin of the fire is still not determined, but it is generally supposed that it was started by wires short-circuited by the fierce northeast storm of wind and snow which swept the island all through the night.

When Everett Lamb, Jr., and Mitchell Todd, Jr., went up to the Town Barn on the Cliff to get out a snow plow, shortly after 5:30 o'clock this morning, they saw the flames coming out of the roof. The fire department was immediately alerted, and the apparatus sent to the scene.

The fire had gained such a headway, however, that although several pieces of apparatus were on hand, the firemen were unable to save the place from being gutted by the flames.

"The Crossways" was one of the finest pieces of property on the Cliff, extensively furnished and appointed, and the amount of the loss will be considerable.

Apr. 3, 1950

Death of Mrs. Ella Paddock.

Mrs. Ella (Mitchell) Paddock, of Norton, Mass., passed away at her home on South Washington street on Sunday last (March 26), in her 73rd year. She had been failing in health since early March and was confined to bed since March 15th. Born in Nantucket, she was the daughter of Frank Mitchell, a native of Montpelier, Vt., and Emily F. Gibbs, of Nantucket. For the last 30 years she resided in Norton, where she was an attendant of the Trinitarian Congregational Church.

She is survived by her husband, Herbert E. Paddock; two sons, Frank B. Paddock of Grahamsville, N. Y., and Karl M. Paddock, of Norton; a granddaughter, Susan; a sister, Mrs. Ann (Henry) Coffin of Nantucket, several nieces and one nephew. Funeral services were held Tuesday, from the John W. Mooney Funeral Home in Attleboro with the Rev. Alexander C. Cooper, pastor of the Trinitarian Congregational Church officiating. Committal services and interment were in the family lot in the Norton Center Cemetery.

Apr. 1, 1950

Death of Mable Winslow.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Congregational Church Vestry for the late Mable Winslow, who died Wednesday morning at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital.

Miss Winslow suffered a fractured hip two weeks ago when she fell down the front steps of a friend's home. She was 76 years old.

The daughter of the late John M. and Eliza B. (Randall) Winslow, she had lived all her life in the family home on Quince street, where she enjoyed visiting with her many friends. For years she remembered the children in the neighborhood on birthdays and at Easter and Christmas, making prettily decorated cakes for them on these occasions. In her own quiet way she made the lives of those who knew her the richer and better for having come in contact with her and she will be greatly missed for her ready wit and kindly generosity toward those less fortunate than she.

She is survived by a niece, Mrs. Herbert W. Foye, of Nantucket.

Apr. 1, 1950

Early Evening Fire Seriously Damaged Nantucket Kitchen.

A fire originating in or near an oil stove, early Tuesday evening, did extensive damage to the ell kitchen of Mrs. Charles A. Selden, on Liberty street. The Fire Department was summoned by telephone in a call from Mrs. George MacDonald, who saw the heavy smoke rolling out of the kitchen door of the Selden home just across the street. Mrs. Selden had called to young Gardner MacDonald to summon his father, as the oil stove was smoking. Mrs. MacDonald investigated and, quickly realizing the situation, telephoned the Central Fire Station.

One pumper responded to the call, and three blows were sounded on the fire horn. When the apparatus arrived the crew promptly extinguished the flames, but the smoke and heat had created extensive damage. In order to allow the fumes and heat—which had accumulated under the low ceiling—to escape, it was necessary to knock out one window and sash completely.

Fortunately, the door leading from the kitchen into the main part of the house had been closed by Mrs. Selden, so that the flames did not work their way into the main part of the dwelling.

Displaying the marked calmness and presence of mind which is characteristic of her, Mrs. Selden remained in her smoke-filled house until the fire apparatus arrived. She was then persuaded to step into the apartment of her neighbor, Mrs. Guibord, whose home adjoins "Seldenshalf".

Although the fire has ruined the interior of the kitchen—only recently renovated—the many friends of Mrs. Selden will be glad to learn that she has not suffered from the shock of the experience, and that the main portion of her fine old home was not injured. The damage to the kitchen, however, is extensive, with \$1000 estimated as the structural loss, and \$500 in damage to the contents.

Damage Estimated at \$30,000.

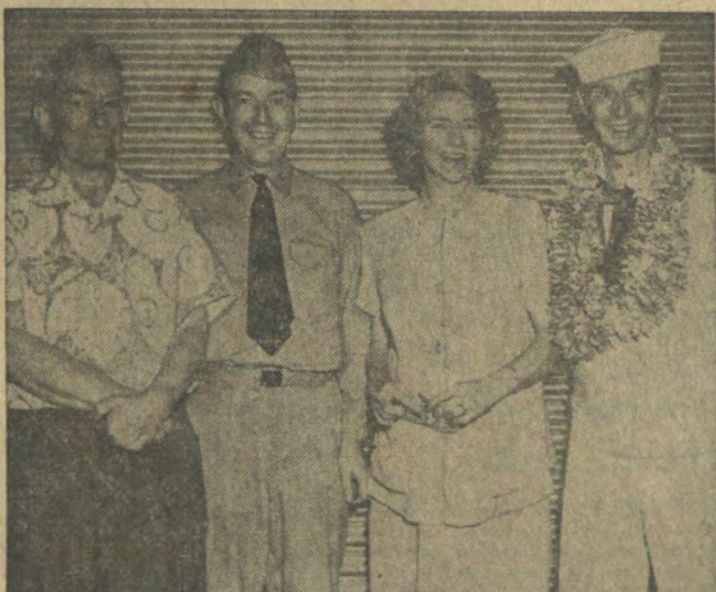
Damage to the property of Mrs. Frank Baldwin—"The Crossways"—on the Cliff, as the result of the early morning fire which destroyed its interior and roof last Saturday, is estimated at \$30,000.00. Fire Chief Archibald Cartwright announced the total this week.

Apr. 1, 1950



MR. AND MRS. FRED B. MAGLATHLIN

Kin Greet Nantucket Man



A family greeting was extended to Peter Richmond, commissaryman 2d class, USN, of Nantucket, right, when he made a brief stop in Hawaii while serving aboard a Military-Sea-Transport-Service vessel in the Pacific. Shown are, left to right, Harold S. Sharp, father of Lieutenant-Commander Theodore E. Sharp, second from left, Dental Corps, USN, Richmond's cousin; and Lieutenant-Commander Sharp's wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Sharp. (U. S. Navy Photograph).

Jan. 8, 1951

Former Nantucket Man Named to Post

Special to The Standard-Times

NANTUCKET, Nov. 10—Paul Whitten, former principal of the Cyrus Pierce School, Nantucket, has been named supervising principal of the Bliss School at Attleboro, according to word just received here.

The Bliss School is an elementary school with 16 rooms and 22 teachers. Mr. Whitten, who is the husband of the former Helen Coffin of Nantucket, will undertake his new duties on Dec. 1.

At present, Mr. Whitten is principal of an elementary school in Islington, a branch of the Westwood school-system. Mr. and Mrs. Whitten own a Summer home on West Chester Street and spend their Summers here. Mrs. Whitten's parents reside on North Liberty Street and just returned this week from a visit with the Whittens.

Nov. 10, 1950

Claudia Tunis.

Hers was a blithe spirit, a vital being, a plumbless understanding. Her love for people was so great and thriving it swept her on a tide of enthusiasm into the lives of the happy souls, and there were many, who knew her.

She was fun to be with. No matter a man's diversity, he was rescued by her bubbling sense of humor. And with a skill so consummate as to be unnoticeable, she would perform the minor miracle of turning the disadvantage into an advantage. She was good and she got good from every contact with her fellow men.

Hers was an adventurous nature, too, and a life full of adventure because she made it so. A strange bird in a neighboring tree, a cup of tea with friends, a new waterfront scene to paint, the germinating of an idea for a short story or historically-based thesis—the small and the large pieces of life were grist for the eager mill of her cordial mind.

Fond of music, her singing voice was as clear and bell-like as her infectious laughter. Neither was a scarce commodity in her busy scheme of things. In the field of writing she showed an amazing range of interest and ability, turning out freelance journalism as easily and pleasantly as she wove tales for fascinating children, or compiled a cook book with a new slant (just completed) or added to her papers on the history of the carousel.

Perhaps her greatest love, aside from people, was her painting. Four years ago she had never held a brush. Nothing daunted and with her wealth of enthusiasm, she plunged into the newest adventure . . . and emerged with more than a little success exhibiting and selling in her beloved Nantucket.

She feared not ever fear itself. She was indomitable . . . a bulwark of strength and courage to her own and many a family, many a soul. But she was always gay with her good sense and when she gave of herself it was a refreshing experience, never a selfish or stultifying one.

Her graciousness, her gay welcome were rarely more in evidence than in her treasured role of hostess at the Skipper where for years she was known to hundreds as "Aunt Claud". The past winter she welcomed her admiring people at the Zulu, the new restaurant in Delray Beach, Fla., belonging to the owner of the Skipper, her nephew, William D. Beers.

Other survivors include three sons, Gordon and Philip of Chicago, and Edward Tunis of Longmeadow, Mass., a sister, Mrs. Belle Harkness of Nantucket, and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was without age. What matters, really, that she was born Claudia Joy (Lenox), December 11, 1881, in Philadelphia? . . . or died in Nantucket, August 18, 1950, where she was buried? . . . or was a long-time resident of Summit, N. J., and Boston? Wherever she lived, she lives today and will live tomorrow.

Hers is a blithe spirit!

M. T. M.

Aug. 26, 1950

Fringe of Hurricane Felt at Nantucket on Week-End.

If "precaution is prevention", then possibly that is the reason that Nantucket escaped getting all wind-blown last weekend when the much publicized hurricane came up the Atlantic coast.

Figuring that it would be easier to brace things up and board up windows than it would be to make repairs afterwards, many were the householders who spent a few hours with the hammer and saw Sunday afternoon. The skies were very dark all day Sunday, and rain fell intermittently throughout the afternoon, but the winds did not increase according to schedule, despite a steadily-falling barometer.

As darkness came on the winds did pick up a bit, and the rain came down in torrents, much to the disgust of the movie-goers, and shortly after 10 o'clock the island experienced a near cloudburst. According to the U. S. Weather Bureau, the highest wind velocity recorded at their station was 40 mph., from the north-northeast, with gusts reaching a high of 55 mph. shortly after midnight.

The approaching storm caused great consternation among the many yachtsmen who had their vessels moored in the harbor, and remembering experiences in other such storms, nearly every fishing boat in the area headed for port. Despite the fact that the heavy storm missed this district, the sailors' fears were not groundless, for two yachts, the "Mistress" and the "Lazybones" dragged their moorings in the harbor and requested assistance from the Coast Guard, while the fishing vessel "Sally and Irene" ran aground while trying to navigate into Woods Hole.

The "Sally and Irene" finally freed herself and proceeded into Woods Hole without difficulty, escorted by an 83-foot Coast Guard picket boat, and the yacht "Lazybones" was towed by the Brant Point lifeboat to a safer anchorage. A second anchor thrown out by the yacht "Mistress" held against the wind and sets, and she was able to ride out the storm without assistance. Byron Coffin's "Malahini" also experienced some difficulties.

The winds caused very little damage around town. There were only a few medium-sized branches torn from trees, and very minor damage to dwellings. Several small boats were tossed ashore on the beach near Brant Point, and a few others sunk, but that was the extent of the actual damage.

Many persons wondered why the storm warning flags at the Brant Point Coast Guard Station were still flying Monday morning, as clear and bright a day as one could imagine, until it was seen that one of the hal-yards had broken. When repairs were made, the flags were lowered, many hours after the storm had passed.

Despite the fact that there actually was a hurricane passing close by Nantucket, with raging winds up to 130 mph. around its center, we experienced what some called "only a half-hearted northeaster". Everyone is just as glad it turned out that way.

Aug. 26, 1950

Nantucket Residents Wed In Salem, Mass.

Mrs. Grace (Tirrell) Jewett of Howard Street and Marcus L. Ramsdell of Gardner Street were married at 4 p. m. Saturday at the Tabernacle Congregational Church in Salem, Saturday by the Rev. Claude Bond, pastor of the church.

Mrs. Ramsdell, formerly a teacher with the Attleboro (Mass.) school system for many years, is third grade teacher at Cyrus Peirce School. She is a graduate of Framingham Teacher's College.

Mr. Ramsdell, for many years with the Boston Federal Reserve Bank, is District Court officer here.

They are making their home at 12 Gardner Street.

Sept. 1, 1950

Death of Mrs. Emma Hayward.

Funeral services were held at the Congregational Church, Wednesday afternoon, for Mrs. Emma F. Hayward who passed away Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Sykes, Pine street, where she has been making her home for the past few months.

Mrs. Hayward, the widow of William F. Hayward, was one of the real old Nantucketers. She was born in Nantucket November 1, 1864, the daughter of John C. and Mary E. (Swain) Chinery, and attended the Nantucket schools. She was a lifelong member of the Congregational Church, and one of the oldest members of the Union Circle.

Some time ago she fell, breaking her hip, and was confined to the Nantucket Cottage Hospital for several months.

In conducting the service Wednesday afternoon, the Rev. Gordon C. Thompson paid tribute to Mrs. Hayward in the following words:

"Mrs. Hayward was a remarkable woman. I will never forget her. It would seem to me quite inexcusable if I concluded this service without making certain remarks about her.

"For me, she will always be a part of Nantucket. I can see her walking down Centre street on a stormy day, her cape billowing in the wind, her cane supporting her weight. She was very thin and frail, but the impression she gave was one of intense inward strength. I can see her standing in the Old North Vestry, her shoulders hunched forward a little, turning to face the choir and myself as we walked down the aisle singing the processional hymn

" she possessed courage. She overcame many adverse circumstances which to others might have been stumbling blocks; she not only overcame them, she transmuted them into sources of strength. For example, she was physically handicapped; but, and I am choosing my words carefully, her handicap had become a part of her charm. She was lonely; she saw the members of her immediate family removed from her by death, one by one; and she had no children. But she created out of her loneliness the virtue of independence.

"She was also a woman of faith. She believed in the Christian religion, in the Christian Church as the instrument for the earthly expression of that religion, and in the First Congregational Church of Nantucket as the parish in which God had set her to do His work and to obtain her salvation.

" . . . She fought a good fight, she kept the faith. In our church, in our town, and thus in our world, her spirit remains—reminding us that the best thing any one of us can do is to follow the truth that God gives us to see."

Interment was in the family lot in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Bequests to Island Organizations In Will of Late Mrs. Hayward.

Under the will of the late Mrs. Emma Frances Hayward, who died in Nantucket on Sunday, there are several island individuals and organizations named as beneficiaries. The will, filed at the Nantucket Probate Court, has as its executor, Attorney Roy E. Sanguinetti.

Under the third clause of the will, a sum of \$500 is left to Mrs. Hayward's cousin, Helen S. Dennison, of Denver, Col., "to cover any expenses of attending my decease."

In the fourth clause, Mrs. Mary L. Dickey, of Fairhaven, is left \$1,000.

Under clause 5, the First Congregational Church of Nantucket is bequeathed the Hayward house and land on Centre street, "together with such furniture and furnishings therein as may not have been otherwise disposed of by will or memorandum or desired by Mrs. Dennison."

In reference to this bequest, the will stated:

" . . . in this devise with the hope that the said property be used as a parsonage, but I do not in any way create any limitation to this use, and the said Church may at any time sell or convey said property and use the income only for the general purposes of the Church."

Under clause six, the 1st Congregational Church is also bequeathed 50 shares of American Tel. & Tel. stock, to be held in trust, to be used as a repair fund, with the income to be used for repairs and painting of the church building and parsonage. The clause stipulated that if, at her decease, the 50 shares of stock were not in her possession, the sum of \$5,000 was bequeathed as the repair fund.

In the seventh clause, the sum of \$1,000 was bequeathed the Sunday School and \$1,000 to the Ladies' Union Circle.

Under clause 8, sums of \$500 each were left to Mrs. Charlotte Wier Pitman, B. Chester Pease, Mrs. Ellen Gray Pease, Mrs. Emily Bunker, Mrs. Bessie Winslow and Miss Cora Stevens, all of Nantucket.

In the 9th clause, the Prospect Hill Cemetery Association was bequeathed the sum of \$5,000, in trust, and in clause 10, the Prospect Hill Cemetery Association was left \$2,000 for upkeep of the Andrew Arthur lot.

Under clause 11, the Relief Association was left \$2,000.

In clause 12, the Old Peoples' Home Association of Nantucket receives the sum of \$2,000 in trust.

Under clause 12, the Nantucket Historical Association is bequeathed the sum of \$2,000, the interest on which is to be used for the purposes of the Association.

In clause 14, the sum of \$1,000 is left the Town of Nantucket, the principal and interest "to be used until exhausted, for a \$50 scholarship to be used as an 'Emma Frances Hayward Scholarship,' to be presented annually each June by the superintendent of schools to the scholar in the Nantucket high school who has the highest scholastic record for the entire school term."

SEPTEMBER 23, 1950.

Mrs. Ethel A. Hardy.

Mrs. Ethel A. Hardy, formerly of Nantucket, died on Tuesday of this week at the Tobey Hospital in Wareham, after a long illness. Since leaving Nantucket she had been making her home with her daughter in Falmouth. She was the widow of Melvin Hardy, who died in 1946.

She had been a resident of Nantucket for many years, having come to the island from Cambridgeport, Mass. She was a member of the Sherburne Chapter, O. E. S., the Island Rebekah Lodge, the Candlelight Guild of St. Paul's Church, and the Union Benevolent Society, of which she was a past president. For many years she was employed with the C. F. Wing Co. store in Nantucket.

She is survived by her father, Charles Burns, of South Duxbury; by her daughter, Mrs. Leora Cahoon, of Falmouth; four sons, Paul Bennett, of Nantucket, John and Charles Bennett, of Falmouth, and Edward Bennett, of Tuscaloosa, Ala. There are seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services were held Thursday afternoon at St. Paul's Church in Nantucket, the Rev. Bradford Johnson, officiating. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Dec. 9, 1950

Sept. 23, 1950

"The Red Squirrel Twins," New Book by Jane Tompkins.

Adding another to her growing list of books about animals, Jane Tompkins (Mrs. Burt M. McConnell) of 118 Main street, Nantucket, and New York city, has given her many young readers a most interesting story in "The Red Squirrel Twins," published on Wednesday by J. B. Lippincott Co.

Anne T. Eaton, of *The New York Times*, has stated that Jane Tompkins' writings are "Simply and directly told . . . she writes of animals in a way a young child understands and enjoys."

Her many youthful readers will find the adventures of the two red squirrels "Rusty" and "Chatterbox" are fully as much fun to pursue as those of the Beaver twins, the Snowshoe rabbit twins and the Polar Bear twins, which have been so intriguingly presented in her writings.

Not only are the lives of the lovable little squirrels well told but they are carefully kept within the bounds of fact, for Jane Tompkins knows the ways of the woodland creatures from careful observation and study.

To recount true natural history and interest-feeding narrative makes a combination that characterizes all Jane Tompkins' animal stories. The adventures of the squirrels are sure to appeal, especially with the happy moral of kindness to animal pets being so effectively given.

The drawings by Kurt Wiese add much flavor to the story. He is a thorough workman and always gives a true picture of animal life.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. McConnell remember that the final drafts of Mrs. McConnell's book on Nantucket, "Two Pennies Overboard," were written on the island. It is interesting to know that this most recent of her books also was written in its final phase at the Main Street home of the McConnells.

General Shepherd Honored.

Lt. General Lemuel C. Shepherd, Commander of the Pacific Fleet Marine Force, recently flew back to Tokyo from Korea with General Douglas MacArthur. General MacArthur presented the Silver Star medal to General Shepherd during the flight. General Shepherd is the nephew of Archibald Cartwright, the Chief of the Nantucket Fire Department.

Death of Miss Ida Cathcart.

Miss Ida Cathcart, aged 86, died at her home on Orange street on Monday of this week. She was found on day of this week. Her death was discovered on Wednesday, when Tony Sylvia, who delivered her mail, found the previous day's mail had not been picked up. He notified authorities who investigated and found Miss Cathcart had died in her sleep, probably some forty-eight hours previously.

Miss Cathcart was a native of Nantucket, the daughter of James and Charlotte M. Cathcart. Her nearest surviving relative is Mrs. Grace Manter, a niece, of Pleasant street, Nantucket.

Funeral services were held from the Lewis Funeral Home at 4:00 o'clock Friday afternoon. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Emily F. Deacon.

Funeral services were conducted on Sunday afternoon for Mrs. Emily F. Deacon by the Rev. William P. Horton, from her late residence on Main street. Mrs. Deacon, who was the widow of the late James Y. Deacon, died at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital, Friday morning, Oct. 6, after a long illness.

She was a member of the Unitarian Church, of the Sewing Society of the Church, and of Sherburne Chapter, O. E. S.

She is survived by two sons, Maxwell and Wallace Deacon, both of Nantucket, a daughter, Mrs. Harriet Hurd, of Los Angeles, Calif., and by two granddaughters, Mrs. Mitchell Todd, Jr., and Miss Josephine Deacon, of Nantucket. She also leaves a brother, William A. Smith, of New Bedford, and four sisters, Mrs. Maurice Boyer and Mrs. Eugene Fishback, of Nantucket; Mrs. William Folsom, of Fairhaven, and Mrs. Richard Ryder, of Chatham.

Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Isabelle N. Terry

Mrs. Isabelle N. Terry died at Taunton Wednesday night. She was 45.

Born in Boston, the daughter of Isabelle (Nugent) and Edwin A. Wall, former assistant treasurer of the city of Boston, Mrs. Terry was a graduate of Teacher's College and was a school teacher prior to her marriage to Ernest R. Terry, October 26, 1932. Mr. Terry died six years ago. Mrs. Terry conducted the taxi business following the death of her husband. The business was started by his father, the late John R. Terry in 1900.

Mrs. Terry is survived by an aunt, Mrs. Maud Nugent of Boston and several cousins. Services will be held at 9 a. m. Monday at Our Lady of the Isle Church. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Mrs. Caroline S. Coffin.

Mrs. Caroline S. Coffin, widow of the late Albert R. Coffin, died at her home on Prospekt street on Wednesday of this week. She was a native of Nantucket, the daughter of the late David B. and Almira Andrews, and was eighty-four years of age.

Besides her daughter, Miss Edna Coffin, with whom she made her home, Mrs. Coffin is survived by a brother, James Andrews, also of Nantucket, and by two nephews and one niece.

Services were conducted on Friday afternoon by the Rev. David P. Foulk, former pastor of the First Baptist Church. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

\$122,000 Left Institutions

Miss Maude Baker's Will Aids Churches, Hospitals, Agencies

Six Rhode Island health and medical organizations will share \$110,000 left to them, according to a will filed in Providence Probate Court today.

The money was left by Miss Maude Baker, who lived at 67 Stimson Avenue. Miss Baker, who was born on the island of Nantucket more than 80 years ago, also left bequests to several institutions on her native island.

Miss Baker left \$5000 to the Nantucket Cottage Hospital Corporation to establish a permanent free bed in memory of her parents, Charles Henry Baker and Ellen Baker.

Gifts of \$1000 each were made to the Boys Club of Nantucket, the Old People's Home Association, of Nantucket and the First Congregational Church in that town.

In addition, Miss Baker bequeathed the town itself the sum of \$1000 in special trust and directed use of income from that money for the perpetual care of a burial lot in Prospect Hill Cemetery there which formerly belong to her mother.

Miss Baker directed that the residue of the estate, estimated at \$110,000, should be given in equal shares to the Rhode Island Hospital, Providence District Nursing Association, Rhode Island Cancer Society, Rhode Island Tuberculosis and Health Association, Children's Heart Association of Rhode Island and the Rhode Island Infantile Paralysis Foundation.

A gift of \$3000 is made to the Central Congregational Church of Providence for use in the institution's endowment fund.

Edward A. Stockwell is named executor of the estate. The will was referred to Oct. 3 for hearing.

Sept. 12, 1950

Death of Miss Maude Baker.

Miss Maude Baker died at her home, 67 Stimson avenue, Providence, R. I., on Sunday, September 10. Born in Nantucket, November 1, 1868, she was the daughter of the late Charles Henry and Ellen Baker.

Since leaving Nantucket, she spent her summers here until recently, living at 8 Lily street.

Funeral services were held from her late home at 2:00 p. m. on Tuesday, with the Rev. Arthur H. Bradford, D. D., of Central Congregational Church, Providence, (of which she was a member) officiating. Interment was in Swan Point Cemetery, Providence.

Sept. 16, 1950

Island Institutions Benefit From Will of Miss Maude Baker.

Several island institutions this week received legacies in varying amounts under the will of the late Miss Maude Baker, of Providence, R. I., and Nantucket, who died in Providence three months ago.

The largest legacy was paid to the Nantucket Cottage Hospital, a gift of \$5,000 being willed this institution by Miss Baker. The First Congregational Church received \$1,000, the Old People's Home received \$1,000, and the Nantucket Boys' Club received \$1,000.

The town will shortly receive \$1,000 for the perpetual care of the Ellen Baker Lot in Prospect Hill Cemetery, as also provided in Miss Baker's will.

Stockwell, Chace and Yatman, of Providence, are the executors of the Baker estate.

The late Maude Baker was a native of Nantucket, being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baker, of Lily street. Her aunt was the famous Nantucket woman preacher, the Rev. Louise S. Baker, minister of the First Congregational church here for a number of years. Her father, Charles Baker, was the supervisor at the Gorham Silver Works in Providence at the time of his death a quarter century ago. Miss Baker's mother was the daughter of William Fitzgerald, of Nantucket.

Dec. 23, 1950

Fire at The Emery House.

The Fire Department was called out about five-thirty Wednesday evening to extinguish a fire at the home of Mrs. Jennie C. Emery at 5 Milk street. The blaze, which originated from an over-heated ironing board in the wood shed adjoining the kitchen, was confined to the ell at the rear of the house. But for the prompt response of the fire department, there might have been serious damage to the entire house as the fire was rapidly gaining headway when the fire apparatus reached the scene.

Damage to the house was estimated by Fire Chief Cartwright at \$800. and to furniture of \$400., as a washing machine, vacuum cleaner and refrigerator, which were also kept in the wood shed were ruined.

Mrs. Emery and her housekeeper, Mrs. Sherman, spent Wednesday night at the home of a neighbor, but returned to their own home Thursday after the damage from smoke and water had been repaired.

Jan 27, 1951

Mrs. B. M. Dunham Weds William Garnett

Mrs. Bertha M. (Chapman) Dunham of 23 Pleasant Street and William L. Garnett of 2 Prospect Street were married by the Rev. Robert A. Fitzgerald, pastor of the First Baptist Church at the parsonage on Howard Street at 7 p. m. Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gibson, daughter and son-in-law of the bridegroom were attendants at the single ring ceremony at which William Garnett Jr. and Miss Margaret Gibson were also present. A reception for close friends of the couple was held at 23 Pleasant Street after the ceremony.

Nov. 8, 1950

Island Couple Wed At Parsonage

Mrs. Florence Van Horne of Main Street, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Robinson, and Malcolm Brady of South Mill Street, son of Mrs. Miriam F. Frye of Weymouth Street, were married at the First Congregational Church parsonage Saturday afternoon. The Rev. Gordon C. Thompson performed the single ring ceremony.

The couple will spend the Winter in Florida and on their return in March will make their home on South Mill Street. Mrs. Brady has been matron of the Old People's Home for the past year. Mr. Brady is a carpenter and builder.

Dec. 16, 1950

Frank Conway Recovering

Frank Conway of Milk Street, Island painter, is a patient at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital recuperating from a heart attack last Friday afternoon. Mrs. Conway reported her husband was convalescing nicely although he probably would be unable to return home by Christmas.

Mr. Conway complained of pains in his chest and arm, while accompanying his son Paul hunting. He returned home and Dr. Ernest H. Menget was summoned.

Dec. 22, 1950

Reed—Anderson.

At 8:30 o'clock Thursday morning, Miss Freida Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Anderson, of Nantucket, became the bride of Reginald Reed, of Nantucket, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald M. Reed, of Mattawamkeag, Maine, and Nantucket.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Gordon C. Thompson in the Ladies' Parlor of the Old North Vestry, of the Congregational Church, which was decorated with chrysanthemums.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a navy blue suit, with which she wore ashes of roses accessories and a white chrysanthemum corsage.

Mrs. Charles A. Jewett, Jr., of Nantucket, the matron of honor, wore an aqua and black dress with black accessories and a bronze chrysanthemum corsage. Mr. Jewett was best man for Mr. Reed.

Following their wedding trip on the mainland, they will reside on Upper Vestal street. Mr. Reed is employed as a carpenter with Elmore Taylor, local contractor.

1950

Given a Shower.

On Wednesday evening, November 15, the members of the Union Benevolent Society gave a surprise shower for Miss Freida Anderson at the home of Mrs. Arthur Newcomb, on Sunset Hill. A very pleasant evening was spent in games, followed by delicious refreshments served by the hostess, and the opening of many useful gifts by the bride-to-be. Miss Anderson's marriage to Reginald Reed, of Nantucket, took place on Thanksgiving Day.

Nov. 25, 1950

Grace Brown Gardner of Nantucket to William H. Tripp of New Bedford, Mass. land at Miacomet Park.

Grace Brown Gardner of Nantucket to Edith Virginia Folger of Oxford, Ohio, land at Miacomet Park.

Dec. 29, 1950

New Citizens

KING—A son, their third, Robert William to Mr. and Mrs. Freeman M. King (Grace Coffin) Siasconset, Feb. 2. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ernest R. Coffin of Siasconset and Mr. and Mrs. William King of Nantucket.

Feb. 9, 1951

Mrs. Carrie B. Coleman.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at St. Paul's Church in Nantucket for Mrs. Carrie B. Coleman, widow of the late Wallace L. Coleman, who died Tuesday afternoon at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital after a short illness.

Mrs. Coleman was born in Nantucket on April 28, 1877, the daughter of Benjamin and Mary Brown. She attended the Nantucket schools and was a graduate of Nantucket High School.

A loyal member of St. Paul's Church, she was for many years the treasurer of the Church Service League. She was also a member of the Sherburne Chapter, O. E. S., the Union Benevolent Society, and the Rebekahs.

She is survived by her son, Henry Brown Coleman, of Nantucket, a daughter, Mrs. Priscilla Mayhew, and two grandsons, Paul Henry and Daniel, of Vineyard Haven. She also leaves two nieces, Mrs. Joseph Reilly, of Brockton, and Mrs. Joseph King, of Nantucket, and a nephew, Norman P. Giffin, of Nantucket.

The pall bearers at the service were George W. Jones, Matthew L. Jaekle, Clifford R. Morris, and Irving A. Soverino. Interment was in the family lot in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Dec. 2, 1950

Engagement Announced.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron L. Coggins announce the engagement of their daughter, Carol Estelle, to Leslie Charles Powell, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Powell, of Beaumont, Texas.

Miss Coggins graduated from the Nantucket High School with the Class of 1946, and from Goddard Junior College, Plainfield, Vt. She is attending the Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Nursing (class of 1952.)

Mr. Powell graduated from Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, and will graduate from the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in 1952. He is a member of Phi Beta Pi, a medical fraternity.

No date has been set for the wedding.

March 3, 1951

The Story of the McGuffeys.

A new book, which should be of interest to every American, has just been published by the American Book Company. The book, "The Story of the McGuffeys," whose "Readers" formed the backbone of education in the American school system for years, is written by Mrs. Daniel Ruggles (Alice McGuffey Ruggles), of Cambridge, Mass., and 24 Mill street, Nantucket.

Mrs. Ruggles is the great-great-granddaughter of Billy McGuffey, with whose story she begins her book. "The Story of the McGuffeys" proceeds from the adventures of Billy's family, who emigrated to America from Scotland, through the life of his son "Sandy the Scout," down to the careers of William H. and Alexander H. McGuffey, who were the authors of the famous "Readers." Alexander H. McGuffey was Mrs. Ruggles' grandfather.

The story of the McGuffeys is a fascinating one and Mrs. Ruggles has told it with warmth and sympathy. Early life in the colonies, pioneer life in the middle west, and the elegance of Alexander McGuffey's life in Cincinnati are described in an intimate and informal style. Mrs. Ruggles has filled her story with interesting and humorous anecdotes, all of which have combined to make this an unusually entertaining book.

Anyone who has had the opportunity to absorb the wealth of interesting material in McGuffey's "Readers" will want to add this book to their library. It is based on family papers, letters, and traditional tales, as well as the materials in the McGuffey Museum in Oxford, Ohio.

Feb. 17, 1951

Miss Grace Brown Gardner Given Surprise Party

Miss Grace Brown Gardner was feted at a surprise birthday party which followed a business meeting of the Union Benevolent Society at the home of Mrs. Ellen D. Chace Tuesday evening.

Gifts supposedly bought for a "penny sale" at the meeting were presented at the surprise party to Miss Gardner for whom they were intended. A birthday cake for the occasion was made by Mrs. Arthur Newcomb.

March 2, 1951

Death of Mrs. Mary B. Worth.

Funeral services will be held at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon from Lewis Funeral Parlor, Union street, for Mrs. Mary B. (Coffin) Worth, who passed away on Tuesday in Orlando, Fla., after an illness of several weeks. Rev. Gordon Thompson, pastor of the First Congregational Church, will officiate.

Mrs. Worth was born in New Bedford, Mass., in 1875, the daughter of Allen and Isabella M. (Lucas) Coffin, of Nantucket. On December 7, 1895, she married William F. Worth in Nantucket, the marriage ceremony being performed by her father, who was justice of the peace. For many years she assisted Mr. Worth in the management of an ice cream business at their home on Main street.

She was a member of the Union Circle of the Congregational Church, of the Union Benevolent Society, the Rebekahs, of which Society she was a Past Noble Grand, and of the Eastern Star in Orlando.

She is survived by five children: Miss Isabelle Worth, of Manchester, Conn.; Miss Florence Worth, of Watertown, Mass.; Allen Worth, of Orlando; Mrs. Lillian Norcross, of Nantucket; Mrs. Charlotte McIntyre, of West Palm Beach, Fla., and by several grandchildren.

Interment will be in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

March 24, 1951

Patients at The Hospital.

Patients at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital this week include the following: Miss Edith Sandsbury, Mrs. Ella Rose, Mrs. Joyce McGrath, Mrs. Joan Small, Mrs. Marion Roop, Mrs. Jean Dooley, Mrs. Alice Hanlon, Antone F. Sylvia, Alvin Paddack, Matthew Jaeckle, Norman Wilson, Theodore Bunker, and Leopold M. Schlais, of New Bedford.

Apr. 21, 1951

The many friends of Alvin Paddack will be glad to know that he is responding favorably to treatment following his recent operation at the Nantucket Hospital. Mr. Paddack, who for many years was Principal of the Coffin School, observed his 83rd birthday while at the Hospital and received congratulatory messages and floral tributes from many friends.

May 19, 1951

Mrs. Ann Coffin

Mrs. Ann Coffin who had been ill for several days was found dead by her grandson, Henry Coffin, in bed at her home, 147 Main Street, when he went to arouse her yesterday morning. She was 71. The boy had been staying at his grandmothers' for the past few days.

Mrs. Coffin was a native of Nantucket, the daughter of Emily (Gibbs) and Frank Mitchell. A widow of the late Henry Coffin who died three years ago, she had resided in Siasconset until shortly after her husband's death when she bought and moved into the house of the late Melvin Hardy on Main Street. She was a member of the Union Benevolent Society and the Harmonious Hustlers of the First Congregational Church.

She is survived by a son, Henry Coffin 3d; two daughters, Mrs. Hugh MacDonald of Thornwood, N. Y. and Miss Ann Coffin of New York; and six grandchildren, Robert L. Mitchell, Stephenie Ann and Henry Coffin 4th, all of Siasconset; and Hugh T. and Margaret Ann MacDonald of Thornwood.

Services will be held at 2 p. m. tomorrow from the Lewis Funeral Home.

Apr. 27, 1951

Will Operate "Harbour House."

Gordon M. Folger, who has owned and operated the Gordon Folger Hotel for many years, will take over the management of the Harbour House in addition to that of his own hotel.

Mr. Folger plans to open the Gordon Folger on June 23rd and the Harbour House on June 30. The Gordon Folger will remain open until the latter part of September, while the Harbour House will close shortly after Labor Day.

The Harbour House will be conducted on the continental, or European plan, thus giving its guests the opportunity to take their meals at other places on the island if they so choose.

The American plan, whereby guests have to take all their meals at the hotel, does not appeal to everyone and Mr. Folger hopes this arrangement will be the solution to the problems of those looking for accommodations of this kind.

Apr. 28, 1951

Nantucket Girl



SALLY WILLIAMS

Miss Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain Williams of Farmer Street, Nantucket, has been named as Girl State candidate by the Island American Legion Auxiliary.

May 10, 1951

Islander Honored For 25 Years With A & P

Leon F. Moynihan of 4 Plumb Lane and manager of the A. & P. Food Store at the Monument on Main Street, received a cash bonus from the firm and congratulatory messages from Lawrence M. Casayoux, president of the A. & P.'s New England Division, on completion of 25 years service with the company.

Mr. Moynihan became one of more than 350 New England Division employees in the company's 25-year service Club. He joined the company as a grocery clerk at the 46 Main Street store on May 3, 1926.

Mr. Moynihan is married and has three children. He served with the Navy during World War I.

May 11, 1951

DIED

In Nantucket, June 16, 1951, Willis Tobie, aged 77 years, 2 months, 26 days.

1951

Deaths

Mrs. Inez Simpson

Mrs. Inez Simpson died at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital Tuesday. She was 81 and had been in ill health for some time.

Born in New Bedford, Mass., the daughter of Lucy (Hammond) Blake and Lattimer Blake, Mrs. Simpson had made her home here for over 50 years. She resided at the Old People's Home on Main Street for the past three years and before that owned a home on Federal Street. She was a member of the First Congregational Church and its Union Circle and the Sherburne Chapter, OES.

She is survived by two grandsons, William O. Simpson, Jr. of Pensacola, Fla. and Jarvis E. Simpson of New Bedford.

Services were conducted by the Rev. Gordon C. Thompson at 2 p. m. yesterday at the Old People's Home. Burial was in Mattapoisett.

Mrs. Frank E. Congdon.

Mrs. Frank Edwin Congdon, born Mary Bessie Gates in Boston in 1874, was the elder daughter of Helen Chapin and Russell Gates. With her parents she moved to a ranch in Colorado while still a baby. A few months after the birth of her sister, Anne, her mother died of pneumonia. Her father remarried and three sons, Louis, Robert and Correy were added to the family. Her childhood was spent on the ranch, except for two years in a convent school in Colorado Springs.

The two sisters came east to Milford, Massachusetts, to live with their maternal grandparents when Bess, as she was always called, was fourteen years old. She was valedictorian of her high school graduating class. She attended Wellesley College, class of 1897, where she was a member of Tau Zeta Epsilon. After a short period of teaching in Duluth, Minnesota, she married Frank Edwin Congdon. They lived in Upper Montclair, New Jersey, where they brought up their three children, Richard Gates, Helen and Katherine. They lived in Upper Montclair until 1936 when Mr. Congdon retired from the Telephone Company and they moved to Nantucket, Massachusetts.

It was during the years in Upper Montclair that she was particularly active in social and community affairs. She was a vigorous person with great vitality, both physically and mentally, and she carried through to its successful conclusion anything that she undertook. These qualities made her valuable in the work of the Upper Montclair Woman's Club where, among other things, she was active in planning and in raising funds for its clubhouse. She also belonged to the Commonwealth Club and the College Woman's Club of Montclair. She was always an ardent lover of the theater and was for many years a regular subscriber to the Theater Guild of New York City and of the Straight Wharf Theater in Nantucket.

Her years in Nantucket, from 1936 until her death in 1951, were happy ones. The latch was always open for the many friends who called, and for those visiting the Island there was always a sure welcome. Her greatness of heart and mind, her steadfastness, and her keen enjoyment of life brought her a host of loving, true friends. Her life was a full and useful one; her marriage a close and loving companionship, and for those whom she left behind, far greater than the sense of loss is the deep gratitude for having known her.

"She has wandered into an unknown land,
With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand,
And left us thinking how very fair
It needs must be since she lingers there."

Island Rotarians Hear Speakers

Special to The Standard-Times

NANTUCKET, Aug. 3—Nantucket Rotary Club met at the Upper Deck, and after luncheon, the 30 members and eight visitors heard three speakers.

William Oberbrunner, president of the Peoples Building and Loan Association, Somerville, N. J., spoke on a variety of pertinent subjects briefly. It is noteworthy of his interest as a Rotarian that he has not missed a meeting in 23 years of membership.

William Tripp, curator of the Whaling Museum in New Bedford, covered a variety of Rotarian matters in his talk.

The principal speaker, William Swartley, station manager of WBZ, gave a comprehensive talk on radio and television and answered questions afterward.

Catherine F. Gibbs.

Catherine F. Gibbs, wife of Jay H. Lowell Place Monday morning, after Gibbs, passed away at her home on an illness of several months. She was born in New Bedford, the daughter of Peter and Joanna Tresham, on June 4, 1892, and on August 20, 1910, she became the bride of Jay H. Gibbs, of Nantucket. They returned to Nantucket to live twenty-eight years ago.

Mrs. Gibbs was a member of St. Mary's Church and of St. Mary's Guild, and was very active in the work of the Nantucket Chapter of the American Red Cross for many years, particularly during World War II. In addition to her husband, she is survived by three sisters and two nieces.

A brief burial service of prayer was held at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon at St. Mary's Church. Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery, in New Bedford. A Requiem Mass will be held at 7:30 a.m. next Wednesday, August 22nd, at St. Mary's Church in Nantucket.

Mrs. Clarissa McKinstry.

Mrs. Clarissa McKinstry, wife of the Rev. Willard L. McKinstry, died at the Leicester, Mass., Hospital on Wednesday, October 3rd. She was born in Warwick, Mass., on October 4, 1900.

During the years that Reverend McKinstry was minister at the Unitarian Church here in Nantucket, she was active in the work of the Church and of the community. She also served as a member of the School Committee from 1943 until 1947 when they moved from Nantucket to Leicester.

Besides her husband, she is survived by a daughter, Elizabeth.

Funeral services were held at the Unitarian Church in Leicester.

Death of Miss Irma C. Wieand.

Miss Irma Wieand, a summer resident of Nantucket for many years, died on Sunday afternoon at a hospital in Orlando, Florida. Since her retirement from active teaching some sixteen years ago, she has spent the winters in Winter Park, Fla., with her sister, Mrs. Helen Wieand Cole (Mrs. Samuel Valentine Cole), who is her only survivor.

Miss Wieand was the daughter of Rev. Charles S. and Leonore M. Wieand and was born at Perkiomen School, East Greenville, Penna., which was founded by her father.

She was educated in the public schools of Pottstown, Penna., Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass., the Universities of Leipzig, Berlin, and Heidelberg in Germany, and the Universities of Tours, Grenoble and the Sorbonne in France. She held an A. B. degree from Mount Holyoke and received her Masters degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

Miss Wieand taught for many years in the high schools of Suffern, N. Y., New Brunswick, N. J., and Philadelphia, Penn., retiring sixteen years ago because of ill health.

She was a member of the Congregational Church of Winter Park, of the Woman's Club and Garden Club, of Winter Park, of the A.A.U.W., and the Alliance Francaise, of Philadelphia, and a former member of the Abiah Folger Franklin Chapter, D. A. R., of Nantucket.

Prayers and a service of remembrance were conducted at the Fairchild Funeral Home in Orlando, Florida, on Tuesday. Interment will be made at a later date in Pennsylvania.

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JOSEPH E. WARNER

Judge Warner of Taunton will preside over a four-week civil session with jury that opens next Monday in New Bedford Superior Court. Judge Warner's last assignment here was in May 1949.

May, 1951

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1951

Resident's Injured Eye Paralyzed

The eye injury sustained by Edward B. Coffin, Island resident, last Saturday while he was fishing on Tuckernuck has resulted in a paralyzed condition of the pupil. However, the paralytic condition may not be permanent.

Mr. Coffin returned Monday night from the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston where he underwent treatment.

At the time the accident occurred, he was alone on Tuckernuck. The brass swivel of his hand-line, carried backward by a strong wind, struck his open eye.

Unable to see except with his uninjured right eye, Mr. Coffin secured his boat safely in North Pond before calling Allen Holdgate of the Nantucket Flying Service. Handicapped, he made his way against a high wind to the West end of the Island—the only landing area for planes on Tuckernuck.

Picked up by Mr. Holdgate he was flown to Boston.

Weather Blamed For Sticky Asphalt Roads

Pedestrians and motorists, this week complained of the sticky asphalt covering which was freshly laid in some streets about town and stuck to shoes and car tires.

W. Marland Rounsville, manager of the Nantucket Construction Co. which laid the leveling coat of asphalt under a contract with the town, blamed the turn of warm weather, which he said could not be foreseen, for the highly sticky quality of the substance. The light covering of asphalt, he explained, will protect the streets for another 15 to 20 years. He pointed out that it is far less expensive than a regular two-inch coat of asphalt.

Had the town had the latter, it would have cost about \$100,000 more in the last four years, he added.

Mr. Rounsville said the leveling asphalt coat was advanced from the end of September to the earlier part of the month in order to expedite the sealcoating which is to follow. Last year, he said the sealcoating was done too late.

Sept. 1, 1951

Miss Julia B. Farrington

Miss Julia B. Farrington, a resident of Nantucket for nearly fifty years, died at her home at 10 Pine street, Monday, October 8.

Born in West Roxbury, Mass., the daughter of Benjamin and Marie (Emmons) Farrington, she moved to Nantucket shortly after 1900, making her home with the late Elizabeth Coffin, who was then a teacher at the Coffin School.

For a short period Miss Farrington taught adult classes at the Coffin School in sewing and basket work, and was instrumental in beginning the domestic science classes there.

After leaving the Coffin School, Miss Farrington joined the late Mary E. Crosby in purchasing the Franklin Valley Farm, which they operated successfully for many years, selling it about 1930 to the late Albert S. Chadwick.

Miss Farrington and Miss Crosby then opened a boarding house on Liberty street which they maintained for a number of years. Following the death of Miss Crosby, Miss Farrington retired, and lived at her home on Pine street.

Aged 86 years, Miss Farrington leaves a niece, Mrs. Robert Harshe, of East Chestnut street, Nantucket. Interment was at Forest Hills Cemetery, Forest Hills, Mass.

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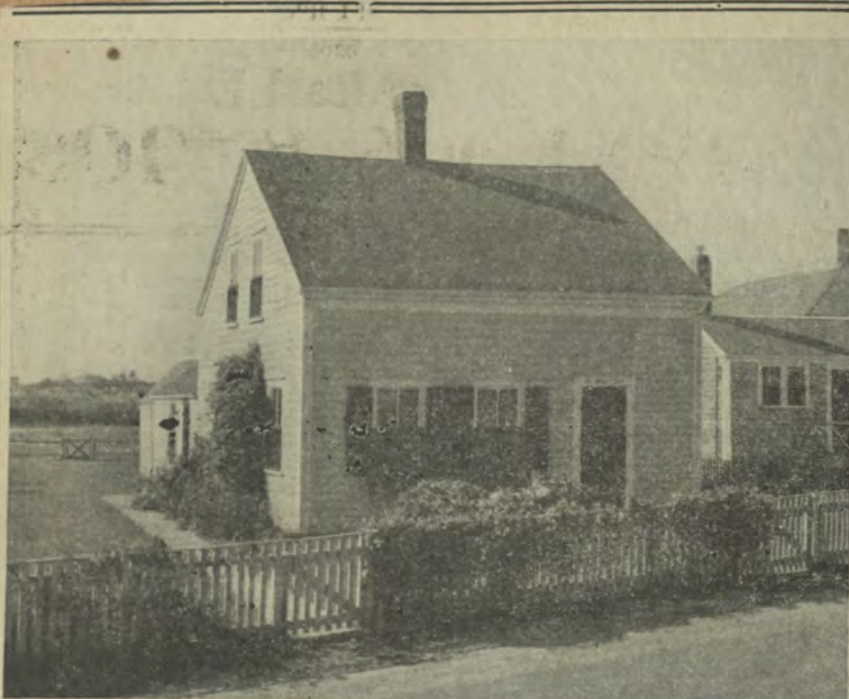


Photo by Fee

Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Whitten, of Attleboro, Mass., have sold their property at No. 42 West Chester street to Mr. and Mrs. Warner G. White, of New York City. Mr. and Mrs. White expect to live on the Island permanently in the near future. The sale was made through Elias J. Lyon & Co., Realtors.

Oct. 27, 1951

Mrs. William E. MacKay.

Mrs. Helen Esther Baker MacKay passed away early Friday morning at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital, after an illness of several months.

Mrs. MacKay was born in Wenham, Mass., on Sept. 25, 1865, the daughter of Charles Henry and Caroline A. Baker. She was the widow of Lt. William Eshorne MacKay, USNR.

She was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, the Nantucket Civic League, the Nantucket Historical Association, the Nantucket Yacht Club, the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Colonial Dames.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. B. J. W. Fox, of Nantucket, by two grandchildren, Wray E. and Catherine MacKay, of Nantucket, a grandniece, Mrs. Sanford Jacobs, of New York, and by two cousins, Mrs. Charles Hensel, of New Jersey, and Mrs. Winthrop Davis, of Nantucket and Stonington, Conn.

Funeral services will be held at St. Paul's Church at eleven-thirty o'clock Monday, Nov. 26. The committal service will be in Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va., at one o'clock on Tuesday. It is requested that flowers be omitted and that anyone so desiring send a contribution in her memory to the Nantucket Cottage Hospital Memorial Fund.

Nov. 24, 1951

Presidents are Human Beings Proved by the McConnells.

That the presidents of the United States are human beings has been proved by Jane and Burt McConnell of Nantucket (and New York City). For this week there has been published a very worthwhile book entitled "Presidents of the United States" which should be on the book shelves of every person interested in the history of our country—which really means that a copy of this volume should be found in every home. The McConnells, each of whom is a well-known author, have collaborated to present these brief, interesting biographies of the men who have been president of the United States from Washington up to and including Truman.

Besides giving the usual facts found in biographical sketches, the McConnells have included some of the less familiar details in the lives of our presidents, as well as many little-known humorous stories concerning them. Unlike most biographies, which sooner or later get relegated to a forgotten corner in the library, this latest addition to United States history is written in a manner which will appeal to the teen-age student of history as well as to his parents.

For instance, how many people know that President Grant, while a cadet at West Point, was caught roasting a chicken in the fireplace in his room, or that Andrew Jackson had to ride eight hundred miles on horseback in order to attend his first session of Congress as representative from Tennessee, or that the "S" which is President Truman's middle initial can stand for either Solomon (on his mother's side of the family) or Shipp (on his father's side)?

It is little things like the anecdotes mentioned above which the McConnells have inserted here and there which will keep this biography from joining the ranks of those non-fiction volumes which are referred to only in research.

"Presidents of the United States" is bound in slate blue, imprinted in gold with the seal of the United States on its front cover. Its jacket is appropriately printed in red, white and blue. The thirty-two portraits of the presidents are drawn by Constance Joan Naar. It was printed by the Vail-Ballou Press, Inc., Binghamton, N. Y., and may be obtained in the book shops in Nantucket.

Jane McConnell, who prefers to be known by that name in Nantucket, has written many books for children under the name of Jane Tompkins, as well as magazine articles and daily scripts for radio programs. A retired Army Air Force captain, with service in Alaska during World War II, Burt McConnell has written articles for magazines such as the Saturday Evening Post, Harper's, Colliers and many others.

Sept. 1, 1951

Bell — Barney.

At a quiet wedding attended only by members of the families, Mrs. Lucille Barney, of Nantucket, became the bride of Charles K. Bell, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, on Tuesday, October 2, 1951. Rev. William P. Horton, pastor of the Unitarian Church, performed the ceremony at two-thirty in the afternoon at the bride's home on Orange street, which was decorated with pale yellow chrysanthemums and roses. A reception followed, which was attended by many friends of the couple.

The bride wore a floor length gown of deep turquoise blue lace with a corsage of cymbidium orchids.

Mrs. William H. Barney, Jr., of New Castle, Del., daughter-in-law of the bride, was her matron of honor. She wore a black and white print dress with black accessories and a corsage of gardenias. The bride's granddaughters, Misses Katherine Lucille and Marie Louise Barney, were the flower girls. They wore pale pink dresses with white organdy bertha collars trimmed with Valenciennes lace, and carried small lightship baskets filled with sweetheart roses and velvet streamers.

Mr. Clarence A. Schafer, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, was the best man for his father-in-law.

Later in the month, Mr. and Mrs. Bell will leave Nantucket for a trip to Fort Wayne before going to St. Petersburg, Fla., where they will spend the winter months.

Out of town guests at the wedding included Mr. and Mrs. William H. Barney Jr., and daughters, of New Castle, Del., Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence J. Pierce, of Seattle, Wash., brother and sister-in-law of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Schafer, of Fort Wayne, Ind., daughter and son-in-law of the groom, Col. and Mrs. Grafton S. Kennedy, of Havre de Grace, Md., Mrs. Harriett B. Locke, and Mrs. Belle Gelder, of Denver, Colorado, and Mrs. Luther S. Bradbury, of Hopedale, Mass.

Death of Annie O. Baldwin.

Mrs. Annie Osgood Baldwin, widow of the late Charles H. Baldwin, died at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital Friday evening, September 28, shortly after she had been taken there following a heart attack. She was in her eighty-ninth year.

Born in Salem, Mass., on February 19, 1863, the daughter of Caroline Fairfield and Caleb Saunders, she later lived in Lawrence, Mass., and, following her marriage, in Dorchester, and then in Boston. After the death of her husband, Mrs. Baldwin came to Nantucket for a visit with friends and later purchased "Ivy Lodge" on Chester street where she made her home for a large part of each year, spending the winter months at the Hotel Puritan in Boston. Several years later she bought the house at 9 Quince street recently, remaining here in Nantucket the year around.

Mrs. Baldwin was one of those rare women whom it was impossible to know without being influenced by her quiet charm and Christian spirit. All her life she was most active in the Episcopal Church, first at the Lawrence Episcopal Church, then at St. Mary's Church in Dorchester, and at Trinity Church in Boston, where she was interested in the work of the women's organizations. Here in Nantucket her interest was transferred to St. Paul's Church, although for the past few years she was unable to take an active part in the work of the parish.

During the years when the "Main Street Fetes" were undertaken each summer to raise money for the Nantucket Cottage Hospital, Mrs. Baldwin was one of the most active members of the committee in charge of the fetes. She lent herself unselfishly and unsparingly to whatever activities she thought were for the good of the Hospital and the community as a whole. She was extremely fond of young people, many of whom considered her house as their second home, knowing that, if they needed sympathy or advice, she was always ready to lend a helping hand. Her friends among the people in Nantucket included as many of the younger men and women as of those belonging to her own generation.

She is survived by her brother's widow, Mrs. George F. Saunders, and a nephew, Daniel Saunders, of Chevy Chase, Md., a niece, Mrs. Edward F. Durgin, of Lawrence, and by several grandnieces and nephews, and great-grandnieces and nephews, and cousins, among them being Mrs. William E. MacKay and Mrs. B. W. J. Fox, of Nantucket, Mrs. Winthrop Davis, of Stonington, Conn., Mrs. Karl Heusel, and Mrs. Sanford Jacobs, of New York.

Funeral services were held at St. Paul's Church on Monday afternoon, Dr. William E. Gardner and Reverend Bradford Johnson, rector of St. Paul's, officiating. Interment was in Forest Hills Cemetery, Forest Hills, Mass., where services were conducted by Dr. Theodore P. Ferris, rector of Trinity Church, Boston, Mass.

Rev. Clinton T. Macy Ordained to Priesthood.

Last Saturday morning, Dec. 15, 1951, the Reverend Clinton Thomas Macy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram W. Macy, was ordained to the priesthood in an impressive ceremony at St. Paul's Church in Nantucket.

Preceding the ordination the sermon was delivered by the Rev. Daniel A. Bennett, Rector of St. John's Church in Sodus, N. Y., and formerly of Nantucket.

The Reverend Bradford Johnson, Rector of St. Paul's presented the Reverend Mr. Macy to the Right Reverend Norman B. Nash, Bishop of Massachusetts, for the exhortation, examination, and investiture.

Also participating in the service were the Rev. William E. Gardner, of Nantucket, and Mr. John Philip Ashe, II, of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass.

The Rev. Billert A. Williams, of Martha's Vineyard, was unable to be present because of the weather conditions.

Sunday morning, in St. Paul's the Rev. Mr. Macy celebrated his first Eucharist at the eight o'clock service. He has since resumed his duties as Rector of St. Peter's Church in Salem, Mass.

Dec. 29, 1951

BORN

At the Hospital for Women of Maryland, Baltimore, Md., Saturday, December 15, 1951, a third child, first son, William Hadwen III, to Mr. and Mrs. William Hadwen Barney, of New Castle, Del., and Nantucket. Grandparents are Mrs. Charles Bell, of Nantucket and St. Petersburg, Fla., and Col. Grafton Sherwood Kennedy, U.S.A.R., and Mrs. Kennedy, of "Harmony Hills", Havre de Grace, Md., and Nantucket.

Oscar Folger

Oscar Folger, who for over half a century has been one of 'Sconset's most beloved and popular business men, passed away about noon on Wednesday of this week, at his home in 'Sconset. Although he has been in ill health for several years, he had been active until the end, and on Christmas Day had enjoyed a family party with his children and grandchildren. He was seventy-one years old in October.

Mr. Folger was the son of Sidney and Mary Folger, of 'Sconset, and had resided in the village all his life. He had been a member of the 'Sconset branch of the Nantucket Fire Department for fifty-four years and for the past twenty years has been Deputy Chief. He was a member of the Nantucket Firemen's Association and of Wauwinet Tribe No. 158, I.O.R.M.

In 1941 he was awarded the contract for carrying the mail to and from 'Sconset and began that work on July 1 of that year. In addition he has carried on his own trucking business in 'Sconset for many years.

In addition to his widow, the former Marion Folger of 'Sconset, he leaves an aunt, Mrs. Nellie Appleton, of Nantucket, a son, Oscar, Jr., and two daughters, Mrs. Mary Bunting of 'Sconset, and Mrs. Josephine Theberge, of Nantucket, and several grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon at the Lewis Funeral Home, the Rev. Bradford Johnson officiating. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Dec. 29, 1951

William Hart Tracy.

William Hart Tracy, who had been in charge of the U.S. Weather Bureau Service office in Boston since 1945, died at his home in Milton, Mass., on Tuesday, January 29. Mr. Tracy was born in Brockton, the son of Orestes A. B. and Ellen (Jones) Tracy, on March 31, 1882, the family moving to Nantucket shortly thereafter. He attended the Nantucket schools and graduated from Nantucket High School with the class of 1899.

It was while a senior in Nantucket High School that Mr. Tracy entered the service of the United States Weather Bureau as a messenger boy. Four years later he was promoted to the position of observer. In the intervening years between his leaving the Nantucket station in the early 1900's and 1945, when he took charge of the Boston office, Mr. Tracy was in charge of offices in Sandy Hook, N. J., Northfield, Vt., Syracuse, N. Y., Grand Rapids, Mich., and Buffalo, N. Y. His transfer to the Boston office in 1945 was his third assignment to that office, having been stationed there when he first left Nantucket and again in 1922. He became meteorologist at the Boston office in 1945 when he was transferred from Buffalo. In 1951 he was made director of the New England climatological section of the bureau.

He is survived by his wife, the former Joyce Weber, whom he married four years ago. His first wife, the former Iva Jernegan of Nantucket, died twelve years ago. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. William E. Gardner, of Nantucket.

On April 1st, 1952, Mr. Tracy would have retired from the U.S. Weather Bureau Service, and, with Mrs. Tracy, was planning to return to Nantucket to make his home here.

Masonic services will be held at eleven o'clock this (Saturday) morning at the home of the Rev. William E. Gardner and Mrs. Gardner, his brother-in-law and sister, at 33 Orange street. Interment will be in the North Cemetery.

Augustus Chace Lake

Augustus Chace Lake, retired Island businessman, died Sunday night at the Cottage Hospital. He was 75 and had been in ill health for the past three years. Until that time he made his home on Easton Street.

Born on Nantucket, the son of Sarah M. (Lewis) and Albert E. Lake, Mr. Lake was an electrician and for 30 years conducted a business on South Water Street. Prior to entering business, Mr. Lake worked at the Gas and Electric Company plant on Sea Street and at its present location adjacent to Island Service Wharf. He operated the movie machine at Dreamland Theatre, the Yacht Club and the 'Sconset Casino for several years prior to his retirement 10 years ago. He was married to the former Anna Nelson who died 10 years ago. Mr. Lake was a member of the Union Lodge, F and AM, the Island Rebekah Lodge and the Nantucket Lodge, IOOF, to which he belonged for 54 years.

Survivors are a sister, Mrs. Effie Pond; a brother, George M. Lake, both of Nantucket and two nieces, Mrs. Lawrence Miller of Milton and Mrs. Winston McCausland of Quincy.

The Rev. Bradford Johnson rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church conducted the service at the Lewis Funeral Home at 2 p. m., Wednesday. Burial was in Prospect Hill Cemetery

Jan. 11, 1952

Community Players Score Hit With "Charley's Aunt"

The Nantucket Community Players presented "Charley's Aunt" by Brandon Thomas to two enthusiastic audiences at the Straight Wharf Theatre this week. The presentation on Monday evening, to an audience made up almost entirely of "donors," was surpassed in every way by the presentation the following night when the performance was open to the general public. Whatever faults were obvious on opening night due to nervousness on the part of the cast were overcome Tuesday evening when the production proceeded with no hesitation and a noticeable confidence among the players.

The plot of "Charley's Aunt" is well known, as the comedy has been presented many times. Briefly, two young college students at Oxford make use of a fellow student to impersonate Charley's "aunt" to chaperone a luncheon when the real aunt

fails to appear. The situations which arise therefrom and the subsequent straightening out of the various complications provide for a hilarious evening's entertainment.

Without any doubt, the star of the play was, of course, "Charley's Aunt," convincingly and humorously played by Roger Young, as Lord Fancourt Babberley who was forced into the dual role by two students, Jack Chesney and Charley Wykeham, played by Herbert Cabral and Robert Wilder. The two young ladies, for whom the luncheon was being given, Kitty Verdun and Amy Spettigue, were played by Barbara Lawrence and Erna Blair.

Sir Francis Chesney, Jack's father, was taken by Victor Brown, while Art Orleans was seen as Stephen Spettigue, Amy's uncle. Luther Fernald was admirable in the role of the butler, Brassett, provoking many laughs throughout the performances. Jessie Fernald, as the real aunt, Donna Lucia D'Alvadorez, and Mary Nelson, as Ela Delahay, completed the cast.

The play, which was directed by Irving Stanley, was produced by arrangement with Samuel French.

The production of "Charley's Aunt" was the first undertaken by the Community Players which required two sets, and the audiences were quick to appreciate them as the curtain rose at the beginning of the first and third acts. Robert Blair was in charge of the sets, as production manager, and was responsible in no small part for their successful and attractive appearance. In charge of properties were Jean Cook, Helen Wyeth, and Izetta Anderson. Mrs. Cook was also business manager for the production, while Mrs. Wyeth was also in charge of the costumes. Ann Kleponis and

Merle Blackshaw handled the lighting; Priscilla Stanley was prompter; John Stanley acted as call boy, and the ushers included Mary Snow, Izetta Anderson, Audrey Pease, and Jean Cook. Also working on the production were Katherine Noll, Linwood Proctor, Douglas Lawrence, and Evelyn Huyser. Miss Huyser was also in charge of the box office.

The Community Players wish to express their appreciation to the following for the use of properties or costumes: Mrs. John Ditmars, Miss Annie Marshall, Dietrich Tete, and Buttner's.

Jan. 19, 1952

Jan. 1952

Celebrated Birthday.

In celebration of her 85th birthday, Saturday, Jan. 19, Mrs. John Ditmars, of 98 Main Street, was given a luncheon by her niece Mrs. Helen Wyeth. Invited guests were Mrs. Elkins Huttaff, Mrs. Frank Gardner, and Mrs. Leon C. Guptill. Luncheon, served at a formally set table, consisted of chicken consommé, creamed chicken in patty shells, and ice cream and cake.

A cake large enough to hold 85 candles was not practical, but the prettily decorated cake served boasted a row of eight candles and a row of five. At the last moment it was realized that 8 and 5 added to 13, so a lone candle was added to grow on.

An afternoon of cards followed the luncheon.

Feb. 2, 1952

George Johnson.

George Johnson died at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital on Wednesday, February 13, after a long illness. He was a native of Nantucket, the son of the late William and Mary Johnson. He was in his seventy-fourth year.

He was formerly employed at the South Beach Boat Yard and later as a carpenter with Elmore Swain until an accident made it necessary for him to retire from active work. He was a member of St. Mary's Church and of the Wauwinet Tribe #158, I.O.R.M.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Esther (Whelden) Johnson, three sisters, Miss Sarah Johnson, Miss Annie Johnson, and Mrs. Catherine Sylvia, and by several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services are being held this morning at the Lewis Funeral Home, the Rev. Fr. Thomas Fitzgerald officiating. Interment will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Feb. 16, 1952

Miss Emma Cook.

Miss Emma Cook, who passed away on Friday, March 14, in Trantun, was for over fifty years a member of the choir at the First Congregational Church in Nantucket.

She was born in Nantucket on July 17, 1860, the daughter of the late John W. and Mary Jane Cook. Her father was one of Nantucket's last members of the Grand Army of the Republic. She attended school here in Nantucket and later became clerk in the Registry of Deeds office, a position which she held for half a century.

In addition to singing in the North Church choir, she was for many years the choir director. The money for the large organ in the church was raised mainly through her efforts, as she organized the campaign to collect the necessary funds for its purchase.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Lewis Funeral Home, the Rev. William E. Gardner and the Rev. Clayton E. Richard officiating. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

She is survived by three cousins, Mrs. William C. Brock and Mrs. Marion Sevrens, of Nantucket, and Stanley Cook, of Cranston, R. I.

March 2, 1952

Edgar L. Chase.

Edgar L. Chase died at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital early Saturday morning, March 22, after a long illness. Mr. Chase was born in Green Valley, California, on May 15, 1867, the son of James F. and Ann W. (Brock) Chase. The family moved to Nantucket when Mr. Chase was a young boy and he had made his home in Nantucket ever since.

He attended the Nantucket schools and worked at the Post Office for a short time, later becoming the general maintenance man at the Wauwinet House, a position which he held for over fifty years.

He is survived by a brother, Warren B. Chase, and by two nephews, Benson C. Chase and James F. Chase, and by several great-nieces and nephews, all of Nantucket.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Lewis Funeral Home, the Rev. Clayton E. Richard officiating. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

March 29, 1952

William L. Garnett

William L. Garnett, Jr., sixth grade student at the Academy Hill School, died at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital shortly after admittance early Saturday morning. He was 11 years old.

He had been ill for the past five weeks. Medical Examiner Paul B. Cassaday said caused of death was an intracerebral hemorrhage from acute infectious mononucleosis. Dr. Jack Mackley, Harvard pathologist, performed an autopsy to determine the cause of death.

William was born in Wareham and was a Cub Scout and would have taken part in the investiture ceremony into boy scouting this week. He leaves his mother, Mrs. Anne Locke of Concord, N. H., his father, William L. Garnett of 23 Pleasant Street, with whom he made his home; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Nomas Eldridge of Wareham, a brother David of Nantucket; and two half-sisters, Mrs. Louise Gibson of Nantucket and Mrs. Frances Conover of Long Beach, Calif.

The Rev. Charles Brightwell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, conducted services at the Lewis Funeral Home Monday. Burial was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

March 2, 1952

Died of Leukemia

William L. Garnett, Jr., who died in Nantucket on March 22nd, had acute fulminating lymphatic leukemia and not infectious mononucleosis, as it was previously supposed.

Dr. Jack Mickley, from the Harvard Department of Legal Medicine, who is the pathologist who conducted the post mortem two weeks ago, called Dr. Jay Wemple late Thursday evening to report to the local doctor that he had made further examination of the tissues, thereby reaching the decision that the boy did not have mononucleosis. He died following a brain hemorrhage.

My Prayer

God gave.
God has taken
Little William Garnett.
He was a good boy.
May the Cub Scouts of Heaven
Meet him on the trail.
Amen.

Gibby Wyer

Mar. 29, 1952

To Study Law



ROBERT F. MOONEY

Mr. Mooney, son of Lawrence F. Mooney, retired chief of police of Nantucket, and Mrs. Mooney has been accepted at Harvard Law School. He will enter next Fall. A Senior at Holy Cross College, where he is majoring in political science, Mooney is managing editor of the yearbook and has been on the dean's list four years. He is the nephew of Mrs. Carl A. Pitta of South Dartmouth.

Evalyn W. Cummings.

Mrs. Evalyn Willis Cummings, widow of the late Lawrence B. Cummings, died Monday evening, April 21, at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital after an illness of only a few hours.

Born in Galveston, Texas, she moved with her family to Columbia, Missouri, at an early age, and attended the Missouri schools. On May 1, 1922, she married Mr. Cummings in Columbia, and came to Nantucket to live following his retirement from his real estate business in New York in 1935.

An accomplished needlewoman, Mrs. Cummings exhibited some of her work several years ago at the Metropolitan Art Museum. She was also an expert bookbinder. Of a quiet and retiring nature, she was most generous in her material aid and advice to those who sought her assistance. She was a member of the National Arts Club in New York. She was a loyal member of St. Paul's Church in Nantucket, where a memorial service was held for her Thursday noon.

She is survived by a sister, Miss Florence Willis, of Columbia, Missouri, where interment will be held.

Apr. 26, 1952

MONUMENT SQUARE GROCERY

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A&P At Monument To Close Permanently

The A & P Store opposite the Monument on Main Street will close permanently May 10. Manager Leon F. Moynihan will reopen a grocery store of his own under the name of the Monument Square Grocery on May 19 after renovating. He has been with the A & P chain for 28 years, coming here in 1923. He managed the A & P Store on Orange Street for 20 years before taking over the Monument store seven years ago. Mulford Small, who has worked with Mr. Moynihan at the Monument, will be transferred to the Main Street A & P.

Islander Honored For 25 Years With A And P

Leon F. Moynihan of 4 Plumb Lane and manager of the A. & P. Food Store at the Monument on Main Street, received a cash bonus from the firm and congratulatory messages from Lawrence M. Casagoux, president of the A. & P.'s New England Division, on completion of 25 years service with the company.

Mr. Moynihan became one of more than 350 New England Division employees in the company's 25-year service Club. He joined the company as a grocery clerk at the 46 Main Street store on May 3, 1926.

Mr. Moynihan is married and has three children. He served with the Navy during World War I.

May 11, 1952

BORN

In Nantucket, April 17, 1952, a son, Kenneth Reginald, to Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Reed (Freida Anderson), of Nantucket. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Anderson, of Nantucket, and Capt. and Mrs. Gerald M. Reed, of Mattawaumkeag, Maine.

Island Girls to Be Graduated



LOIS A. TRUE



FRANCES MacKAY

Two Nantucket students will graduate from Bridgewater State Teachers College Sunday. Miss Lois A. True, 38 India Street, was student director of the college this year. She was class treasurer in her Junior and Senior years and was a member of Student Fellowship four years. She took the elementary course. Miss Frances MacKay, 8 Cliff Road, took the elementary course and has been a member of Kindergarten-Primary Club for four years.

Mrs. Alice Gibbs

Mrs. Alice Gibbs of 23 Milk Street died at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital Sunday after a short illness. She was 80.

Born on Nantucket, Mrs. Gibbs was the daughter of Lydia (Chase) and Ensign Rogers. Her husband, William F. Gibbs died 34 years ago. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary.

Survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Fletcher A. Ross and Mrs. Randolph M. Swain; a son, Adrian Gibbs, all of Nantucket; seven grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

The Rev. Clayton E. Richard, pastor of the First Congregational Church conducted services at the Lewis Funeral Home Tuesday. Burial was at Prospect Hill Cemetery.

June 19, 1952

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Mrs. William C. Brock

Mrs. Bessie (Cook) Brock, wife of William C. Brock of Nantucket, died on Wednesday, May 28, at the Hahnemann Hospital in Brighton, Mass., where she had been a patient for two weeks. Mrs. Brock had been in ill health for several years.

She was born in Nantucket on August 22, 1887, the daughter of the late Arthur H. and Lydia (Coleman) Cook, and attended the Nantucket schools. On December 25, 1915, she married Mr. Brock here in Nantucket.

She was a Past Regent of Abiah Folger Franklin Chapter, D.A.R., Past Matron of Sherburne Chapter, O.E.S., Past President of the Relief Association, Past President of The Children's Aid, Past Noble Grand of Island Rebekah Lodge, a member of the First Congregational Church of Nantucket, and of the Old People's Home Association.

In addition to her husband she is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Fred L. Chase, of Arlington, Mass.; a son, Albert G. Brock II, of Nantucket; a brother, Stanley Cook of Cranston, R. I.; a sister, Mrs. Marion Sevrens, of Nantucket, four grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at her late resident on Gardner Street. Interment will be in the North Cemetery.

May 31, 1952

Peter L. Sylvia

A life-time resident of Nantucket, Peter L. Sylvia, passed away early Saturday morning, June 14, at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital following a long illness. Mr. Sylvia, who was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Peter L. Sylvia, Sr., was born in Nantucket on April 24, 1879.

He attended the Nantucket schools and, at the age of nineteen, became a member of the Police Force, serving as day police officer. He later became a fisherman and afterwards entered the carpentry business, an occupation which he followed as long as he was physically able. He was a member of Wauwinet Tribe, I.O.R.M., and of the Nantucket Firemen's Association.

In addition to his widow, the former Catherine Johnson of Nantucket, he is survived by a son, Peter Irving Sylvia, of Nantucket, three daughters, Mrs. Manuel Sylvia and Mrs. Chester A. Faunce, of Nantucket, and Mrs. Thomas McLaughlin, of Malden, and by nine grandchildren.

Services were held by Wauwinet Tribe Monday evening at his late residence on Orange Street. A requiem Mass was celebrated Tuesday morning at the Church of Our Lady of the Isle, the Rev. Fr. Daniel Carey officiating. Mr. Sylvia's grandsons, Chester A. Faunce, and David Faunce, served as altar boys for the service. Interment was in St. Mary's Cemetery.

June 21, 1952

"Ollie" Backus Transferred To Ferry.

Forty years ago Oliver Backus started working for the Steamboat Company. Since 1917 he has been purser, which is a position requiring infinite tact and patience. It is the purser who meets the traveling public, and his attitude is accepted as the attitude of the Line itself.

Every Nantucket and summer visitor who travels on the steamers knows Mr. Backus. Through all the years Mr. Backus has appeared almost ageless, always in good temper, considerate, and accommodating. He has never failed to have a little joke for his regular passengers.

Now, alas, he is purser on the ferry, The Islander, and plies back and forth to Martha's Vineyard with no side trips to Nantucket. Mr. Backus lives in Vineyard Haven and his new post is much to his liking.

His old friends will no doubt run into him on the wharf at Woods Hole from time to time, but his presence on the steamer will be sadly missed. The trip over will not be quite the same without him. Perhaps Mr. Backus will be glad not to have to deal with insistent people who just must have a stateroom, when there are none, or who keep asking him when the steamer will reach Nantucket. His lot will be easier, but the trip to Nantucket will lack a bit of flavor.

Good luck to Mr. Backus. Long may he reign on The Islander. - A. G.

June 7, 1952

Powell — Coggins.

The wedding of Miss Carol Estelle Coggins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Lurchin Coggins of Nantucket, and Dr. Leslie Charles Powell Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. Powell Sr., of Beaumont, Texas, took place Wednesday afternoon, June 11, in the Courtyard of the Founders, All Souls' Unitarian Church in Washington, D. C. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Anita T. Pickett, grandmother of the bride, and was followed by a reception in the garden of the church.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a ballerina length gown of white frosted organza with a white lace garden hat, and carried a nosegay of blue delphiniums, brandywine roses and lilies of the valley.

Miss Harriet Coggins, of Baltimore, Md., was maid of honor for her sister. She wore a light green dotted swiss gown, ballerina length, with a matching garden hat and carried a nosegay of yellow daisies, cornflowers and white carnations. The groom's sister, Miss Judith Ann Powell, of Beaumont, Texas, was the bridesmaid and wore a yellow dotted swiss ballerina length gown with matching hat and a nosegay similar to that of the maid of honor.

Best man for Dr. Powell was Dr. Jiffany J. Williams, of Charlottesville, Va. Dr. Gary O. Morris, of Del Rio, Texas, was the usher.

Mrs. Coggins, mother of the bride, wore a gown of grey voile with white accessories and a purple orchid corsage. The bridegroom's mother, Mrs. Powell, wore pink lace with an orchid corsage.

The bride is a graduate of Nantucket High School, class of 1946, of Goddard College, class of 1948, and of Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Nursing, class of 1952. She is a member of the Johns Hopkins Hospital Nursing Alumnae Association. Dr. Powell graduated from Beaumont (Texas) High School in 1945 and from Southern Methodist University in 1949. He received his doctor's degree from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine with the class of 1952. He is a member of Alpha Tau Omega and of Phi-Beta Pi, a medical fraternity.

For her traveling costume, Mrs. Powell chose a navy taffeta dress with white accessories, with a corsage of brandywine roses and lilies of the valley. Following their wedding trip to Sea Island, Georgia, Dr. and Mrs. Powell will live in Galveston, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy True Feted On 25 Wedding Year

More than 100 persons were received by Mr. and Mrs. Leroy H. True on the occasion of their 25th wedding anniversary at their home at 38 India Street last Saturday night.

Mrs. Alcon Chadwick received at the door and Mrs. Edward Roy, sister of Mrs. True, and Mrs. Wesley A. Fordyce assisted at the punch bowl.

Mrs. True, the former Eleanor Jewett, and her husband were married in South Dartmouth, Mass.

Mr. True, a native of Freeport, Me., is principal of the Coffin School and instructor in the wood-working department. He formerly conducted a contracting and building business. Mrs. True, music instructor at the schools for the past year and Winter organist and choirster at the First Congregational Church, formerly conducted a dancing school here with recitals at the Nantucket Yacht Club. Before her marriage she studied dramatics and piano at the Whitney School in Boston and was tutored privately in dancing. She taught dancing in New Bedford at the Godreau Music School and also for the LeCercle Gounod.

The couple have two daughters, Lois, a graduate of Bridgewater State Teacher's College, and Janet, a student in the grade school here.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Allen, of East Barrington, N. H., celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on Thursday, May 1, with an anniversary party given by the Ladies' Circle and the Bow Lake Grange. Mrs. Allen will be remembered as Mrs. Alice O. Allen, a teacher in the Nantucket Schools for several years. The Allens have six children, three of whom attended the surprise party for their parents, and 14 grandchildren. During the festivities a mock wedding was held as part of the entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnham N. Dell, who have been on a three months' trip to Europe, have returned to their home in Nantucket.

Mrs. Grace S. Selden.

Mrs. Grace Savage Selden, widow of the late Charles A. Selden, died early Tuesday morning, July 1, after a long illness.

Mrs. Selden, who was in her eighty-third year, was a true gentlewoman. Of a quiet nature, she possessed a sharp sense of humor which was quite often evidenced only by a twinkle in her eyes. During the many years she and Mr. Selden, who was formerly foreign correspondent for the New York Times, lived in "Selden's Half" on Liberty street, she made many friends among Nantucketers who enjoyed her hospitality.

We knew Mrs. Selden many years ago, long before they made Nantucket their permanent home, and had an opportunity to visit them in London. Her unselfish generosity in putting herself and her home at our disposal gave us happy memories we will never forget.

She is survived by a son, John Charles Selden, of Collingsville, Conn., a daughter, Mrs. Eva Selden Banks, of Plainfield, N. J., six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She also leaves two sisters, Mrs. Clara Little-dale, of New York, and Mrs. Marian Sabin, of San Diego, California.

Funeral services were conducted by the Rev. Paul Harris Drake at the Unitarian Church at two o'clock Friday afternoon. Interment was in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Was Hit by Auto.

About five o'clock Friday afternoon, Mr. Herbert W. Foye, of Liberty Street, Nantucket, was hit by a car driven by Mrs. William Norcross, as he was crossing Centre Street near the corner of Main.

Mr. Foye was taken to the Hospital in the ambulance and the latest report is that he is not seriously injured, but just a bit shaken up.

Nantucket Birth Announced

Special to The Standard-Times

NANTUCKET, Nov. 24 — Another citizen was added to Nantucket's list yesterday afternoon at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital when a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Glidden. Mrs. Glidden is the former Mary A. McCann. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James A. McCann of Chelsea and Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Glidden of Nantucket.

Miss Elsie Carlisle

Miss Elsie Carlisle of 75 Main Street, life-long Summer resident of Nantucket, died at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital Monday where she had been a patient for several weeks. She was 71.

Born in New Rochelle, N. Y., she was the daughter of Mary (Coffin) and George Lister Carlisle, noted New York and London lawyer. Her grandfather was Henry Coffin, successful whale oil merchant and shipowner of the Nantucket whaling era. It was in his brick home on Main Street built in 1893 where Miss Carlisle resided. She was educated at Miss Hazen's School, Pelham Manor, N. Y. and in Paris.

Survivors are two brothers, George Lister Carlisle of Nantucket and Norwalk, Conn. and Henry Coffin Carlisle of San Francisco, Calif.

Services were conducted at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Wednesday by the Rev. Bradford Johnson, rector, and Dr. William E. Gardner. Burial was at Prospect Hill Cemetery.

July 11, 1952

Author-Naturalist Dies at Stamford

STAMFORD, Conn., Nov. 10 (AP)—The Rev. William J. Long, 86, author, naturalist and historian, died yesterday at Stamford Hospital following a long illness.

He was a native of North Attleboro, the son of Denis Long, Irish-born farmer, and Mrs. Catherine Burke Long. He was graduated from Bridgewater State Normal School in 1887 and won his A. B. degree at Harvard in 1892.

He was the author of several nature books for children. In 1909 he published a history of English literature which became a best-seller and is still used as a textbook in high schools. He also wrote "American Literature" and "America, a History of our Country," in 1923.

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Eda M. Barrett

Funeral services will be held at St. Paul's Church in Nantucket at 2:30 o'clock Monday afternoon for Mrs. Eda May (Coleman) Barrett, widow of the late Arthur Marshall Barrett. Mrs. Barrett passed away Thursday morning at the Nantucket Cottage Hospital after a brief illness.

She was born in Nantucket on November 25, 1888, the daughter of Dr. Ellenwood B. and May Anna (Brayton) Coleman, of Nantucket. She attended Nantucket Schools and was a graduate of Bryant & Stratton Business School in Boston and of the Bridgewater (Mass.) Normal School.

Following her graduation from Normal School she taught in the grammar school in Barrington, R. I., for several years before returning to Nantucket. She taught in the old Polpis School and in the South School on Orange Street in Nantucket for several years before her marriage. She was married on December 29, 1919, to Mr. Barrett, who died in Boston on July 15 of this year.

Mrs. Barrett was one of the two remaining charter members of the Candlelight Guild of St. Paul's Church and was a former president of and a diligent worker in the Altar Guild of the church. She was a former president of the Church Service League and was a past president of the Women's Auxiliary which succeeded the League. She served as treasurer of the Church for many years. She was a member of the Abiah Folger Franklin Chapter, D.A.R., of which she was the secretary at the time of her death.

She is survived by a son, George E. Barrett, chief disbursing officer on the USS Saipan, of Norfolk, Va.; a daughter, Mrs. Henry J. Diotte, of East Braintree, Mass.; two grandchildren, Carlton Marshall Barrett, of Norfolk, and Virginia Diotte, of East Braintree, and by a sister, Mrs. George W. Jones, of Nantucket.

The Reverend Bradford Johnson will officiate at the service.

Dec. 20, 1952

